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Khomeini blasts Carter

Vance touring Europe urge boycott of Iran

ARIS, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — U.S. Secretary of State Cyrus Vance arrived here today afternoon for talks on the Iranian issue with President Valery Giscard d'Estaing after a four-hour visit with British leaders. The first leg of his European tour, head of Vance's arrival here, French officials declined any comment whatsoever on reception. Vance could expect for U.S. officials for a progressive economic argo of Iran if the U.S. hostages are not released.

Officials said that because of the range of possible actions and their repercussions, if any, could only come after he had detailed the ideas.

A brief airport statement, Vance said, support of our friends and allies at this time is a great help.

Vance was meeting first with Foreign Minister Francois-Poncet and then dining with him. The two men were to be joined only by U.S. Ambassador Arthur Hartman and his wife, chief of staff of the French President's office.

London, Vance conferred with Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher.

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King Khaled

Khaled gets note from Algerians

RIYADH, Dec. 10 (SPA) — Algerian Minister of Culture and Information Abdul Hamid Al-Mahri left here Monday after a brief visit during which he handed a message to King Khaled from President Benjedid Chadli of Algeria.

He was seen off at the airport by a representative of the royal protocol and a number of other officials.

No details of the message were released.

The Kuwaiti Minister of Oil Sheikh Ali Al-Khalifa Al-Sabah also left Monday afternoon after a short visit for talks with the Minister of Petroleum and Mineral Resources Sheikh Ahmad Zaki Yamani.

Sheikh Sabah said the talks were held within the context of ongoing consultations between the two countries prior to the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries meeting in Caracas Dec. 17.

King Khaled also received at the royal palace here the ulama and tribal chiefs as is customary every Monday.

Tunis panel meets

BEIRUT, Dec. 10 (R) — The Arab committee in charge of implementing last month's Tunis summit resolutions on Lebanon Monday had a meeting with Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat.

A member of the Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) Executive Committee, Ahmed Sedki Al-Dajani, who attended the meeting, told reporters that the two and a half hour discussions were marked by a positive spirit.

He added that the PLO had expressed its readiness to work with all for the implementation of the resolutions and the success of the committee's work.

The committee, made up of representatives from Lebanon, Syria, Saudi Arabia, Kuwait and the Arab League, held its first meeting last Friday.

King lauds Mecca officer

RIYADH, Dec. 10 — King Khaled and Crown Prince Fahd Monday sent telegrams to the commander of the armed forces in Mecca thanking him for his cable marking the end of the siege at the Holy Haram.

Both the King and the Crown Prince thanked Gen. Muhammad ibn Hilal and his officers and men for their heroic efforts to purge the Grand Mosque of the group of renegades who stormed it during early morning prayers on Nov. 20.

Gen. ibn Hilal was in command of the group of soldiers from the Army, National Guard, Security Forces and Special Forces who cleared the mosque of the attackers during a 14-day siege.

Meanwhile, Minister of Defense and Aviation Prince Sultan Monday visited the Armed Forces Hospital in Riyadh to talk with the troops wounded during fighting in the mosque and to see what condition the men are in.

Crown Prince Fahd made a similar visit Sunday.

Prince Sultan lauded the high spirits of the brave men who retook the mosque from the renegades and said their injuries were "medals of heroism God has bestowed on them for defending the most sacred place in the most honorable battle."

About 200 soldiers were wounded in the fighting, and 60 Saudi troops were killed, while the renegades lost 75 killed, and another 170 captured.

"You are under the care of your state, especially of King Khaled, his Crown Prince and all your commanders," he told the men.

He prayed for God's blessings on those martyred in the fighting and said he hoped the wounded men would recover quickly so that they can return to fulfill their obligations and rejoining their colleagues in defending the Holy Places, the country and the people.

Prince Sultan was accompanied by Armed Forces commander Gen. Othman Al-Humaidi, Lt. Gen. Ali Qabbani, director of cooperation and foreign aid; Air Force com-



VISITS WOUNDED: Crown Prince Fahd during his visit Sunday to the soldiers wounded in the attack on the renegades who took over the Holy Haram in Mecca and wished them a speedy recovery.

mander Lt. Gen. As'ad Zuhair; Army commander Lt. Gen. Muhammad Suleh Al-Hammad; and Lt. Gen. Tewfik Khaled Alamar, director general of military inspection.

Al-Riyadh newspaper reported Monday that a royal announcement is expected soon providing for liberal awards to all those who helped in the military operations against the renegades in the mosque.

The newspaper reported Monday that the rewards will be given to officers, junior officers and soldiers from different military sectors as well as the security forces who fought gallantly to purge the Mosque from the deviators.

The paper added that financial awards will also be announced for the families of those who lost their lives in encounters with the

gang. "The royal gesture comes in appreciation of the sincerity and sacrifice of the heroic forces who made a heroic move to liberate the Sacred Mosque from the sacrilege of the invaders," it said.

Meanwhile, the King has ordered the establishment of a donations committee under the chairmanship of Prince Miteb, minister of public works and housing, to collect public donations to help the bereaved families and to perpetuate the heroism of the martyrs.

Prince Miteb said Monday he was proud of his appointment by King Khaled to head the committee.

He said donations should be sent to any branch of the National Commercial Bank and the Riyadh Bank in the country.

Linowitz sees autonomy talks deadlock

Palestine Central Council to meet on Middle East

DAMASCUS, Dec. 10 (R) — The Palestine Central Council will meet here on Thursday to discuss latest developments of the Arab-Israeli conflict, the Palestine news agency Wafa reported.

It said the meeting would set a date and venue for the next, the 15th session of the Palestine National Council, the commandos parliament-in-exile.

The PCC acts as a liaison between the PNC and the Palestine Liberation Organization (PLO) Executive Committee.

Wafa quoted Khaled al-Fahoum, PNC Chairman, as saying Thursday's meeting would be briefed by PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat on the outcome of his recent Arab and foreign tour.

It will also discuss resolutions adopted by last month's Arab summit which dealt with the Middle East conflict and Lebanon's efforts to put an end to the troubled situation in the south.

Meanwhile, in Cairo President Jimmy Carter's new Middle East envoy Sol Linowitz said Saturday he doubted whether the Egyptian-Israeli talks on Palestinian autonomy could be concluded by next May's target date but did not rule it out altogether.

He also said there was a need in such negotiations to "take a hard look at some of the really decisive issues and see whether something can be worked out."

He expected this to happen at next month's summit in Aswan, between President Anwar

Sadat and Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin.

Egypt, Israel and the United States have spent almost seven months discussing autonomy for the 1.2 million Palestinians on the West Bank and the Gaza Strip but have made slim progress so far except on minor details.

The Palestinians are boycotting the talks on the grounds they are merely designed to perpetuate Israeli occupation in the area.

Israel is still only willing to offer the Palestinians a say in the day-to-day running of their affairs while Egypt wants them to have wide powers leading to eventual self-rule.

Linowitz said that he believed the object of the Sadat-Begin summit was "precisely to focus on some of these difficult issues."

Afghan ambassador chooses conscience over Kabul

By Michael J. Hall

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — His paychecks signed in Kabul any more. In fact, he probably has no more paychecks coming in at all. And the perks of high military rank have been stripped away

with a wave of his hand. Muhammad Akbar Parwani dismisses all of that, talking to him you get the feeling that he isn't ever terribly wrapped up in the importance of protocol and the status of an ambassador.

Ah, but I have not resigned. I have left my embassy, it is true... but I still regard myself as the ambassador of the real Afghanistan," Parwani said in an interview.

Parwani announced on Saturday that he had cut all formal ties with the Hafizullah regime in government in Kabul, and that he would no longer act for it as Ambassador of Afghanistan, where he has been posted since Oct. 10, 1968.

The decision may be only a temporary one for the spry but elderly man in a suit which has spanned 55 years in one of his country's diplomatic service and Afghanistan go from being a kingdom to a democracy to a Soviet-backed dictatorship.

Parwani says he will do anything he can to defeat the Amin government in Kabul, he isn't exactly certain where best he fit in the loose coalition of opposition groups who have been waging a guerrilla war against the regular army.

But whatever the future holds, he has regrets about the decision to cease to represent the government back home.

They put a big list of 12,000 people on the wall of the Home Ministry in Kabul, showing the people executed or killed in prison. I think that is a sufficient reason for my decision," he said.

He blames the Soviet-backed government and its armed forces for driving a lion people into exile, or killing or maiming them, destroying their homes, villages, crops and cattle.

And just as importantly, there is the government's crackdown on Islam, which



DIPLOMATIC DAYS: Afghanistan Ambassador Muhammad Akbar Parwani shown presenting his credentials to Crown Prince Fahd last year. He left his post at the embassy here late last week and denounced the Kabul regime's suppression of Afghan Muslims.

has put thousands of mujahideen (literally, "Fighters for God") into the field against the Amin government.

"I have left my embassy to join my countrymen in their Holy Jihad and self-sacrifices for the liberation of their respectful religion and belief in Islam," he said in a statement issued shortly after the news of his action became public.

In the interview, conducted in the lounge of a small and obscure Jeddah hotel far downtown, he expounded on his reasons and the timing of his decision to quit the Afghan foreign service after all those years of obeying his government's call.

"I have been struggling against the anti-Islamic movements for at least 40 years, but since the revolution I didn't know how to fight them until these mujahideen — God help them — came to my aid," he said.

Parwani sat during the interview with reporters from Arab News and Asharq Al-Awsat in a deep arm chair in the lounge of the hotel, seemingly at ease with

himself, and with no traces of the tension he must have felt at leaving the diplomatic service.

The softness of his voice was the only reminder of his advanced age. Flanking him around the room were several Afghans now living in Saudi Arabia, students and freedom fighters both, who had come to wish him well and offer support and counsel in his decision.

He politely declined to answer substantive questions on the situation in Afghanistan today, saying that he is just beginning to learn about what is really happening there.

The Amin government, he said, rarely informed its diplomats of what was happening at home, so he has been dependent on press reports and reports from refugees on what was going on.

"I am a new man in these parts, so up to now I have not been in contact with the groups (fighting against the government), but I am always in a hurry, always wanting to do something, so I am certain I can be useful," he said.

"I do know that it is a fight between forces with helicopters and modern arms fighting against the mujahideen, who are dependent for their arms on what they can capture or gain from army units when they surrender," he adds.

And the Soviets, in backing the Kabul government, have two objectives in mind, he says. First there is the traditional Russian push toward India and the warm waters of the Gulf and the Arabian Sea. And equally, the Soviets are concerned lest the success of an Islamic revolution in Afghanistan sets off unrest among the millions of Soviet Muslims in Asia.

"If we win the war in Afghanistan, then 73 million Muslims could be freed," he said in reference to the Soviet situation.

But in spite of the Soviet presence in his country, he says Western countries should not take that as an invitation to intervene, nor are the Muslim rebels fighting for any external power.

"We have as our only goal the freeing of our country. We have three million people in mourning, and we must do something for them," he said.

In the meantime, he is waiting in Jeddah for something concrete to do to help his people. Waiting and keeping an eye on the situation back home.

The rumor mills are filled with reports of coups and counter-coups in Kabul. "Every night, we are waiting to hear another one."

But Parwani wants to do more than wait. "To the limit I can work for my people, I have, and I will continue to do so. I will go and fight and be killed. God has kept me for that."

He is not certain what form that fight will take, but for now he is content to have provided an example by leaving the embassy.

"It is my aim, my wish and my desire that my action provide an example for others," he says in explaining why he left what he calls, "this shameful job."

He is optimistic, but time will tell. "We are Muslims and know everything is in the hands of God. When He wants something to happen, then it will happen."

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Brandt, Heath, Palme

European group arrives for energy meetings

RIYADH, Dec. 10. — A West European group led by former West German Chancellor Willy Brandt arrived here Monday from Kuwait for talks mainly on world energy problems.

Also in the party are former British and Swedish Prime Minis-

ters Edward Heath and Olaf Palme. They arrived in Kuwait at the weekend.

The Kuwait News Agency quoted Brandt as saying that his discussions with Kuwaiti leaders covered alternative sources of energy.

The group represents an 18-nation committee conceived by world Bank President Robert McNamara to find ways of helping Third World countries.

Brandt said the committee would meet in London later this month to draw up its recommen-

dations.

The Kuwaiti agency said the group left for Saudi Arabia with the Kuwaiti oil minister, Sheikh Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah, who would stop in Paris and London to take part in television programs before going to Caracas for the OPEC conference Dec. 17.

Brandt said at Riyadh Airport that the committee was here to discuss some problems before submitting its final report which has been under consideration for the last two years according to SPA.

He said the report deals with developing mutual interests among various countries and especially the duties of the industrial and oil producing states.

The committee hoped to obtain some information and ideas in the

Kingdom to help complete the report, which will be submitted to the United Nations Secretary General Kurt Waldheim next year.

Brandt said world public opinion must be interested in ending confrontation and promoting cooperation.

In Kuwait the committee met with Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmad Al-Sabah, Oil Minister Sheikh Khalifa and Finance Minister Abdul Rahman Al-Atiqi.

Brandt said after the meeting that the committee and Kuwaiti officials were in agreement that "practical and speedy solutions for energy problems should be worked out, particularly those relating to the world oil situation."

In Unaiyah

Team tours trade school

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — A team of West German experts accompanied by Abdullah Al-Zamel, director of the vocational training in the Ministry of Education has

visited Unaiyah secondary vocational and industrial schools.

They met the students and lecturers in car mechanics and electricity courses. They were escorted during their visit by the director of education supervision in Unaiyah, Abdul Rahman Al-Ulayan.

The German group admired the eagerness of young men to join the school.

They toured other secondary vocational training schools.

Accommodation will shortly be provided to students, which is expected to double the numbers joining the school. There are now 300 students taking courses in car mechanics, minerals and electricity. The institute has four workshops and nine classes.

According to *Al-Jazirah* SR39,000 in loans was made available to five Saudi Arabians for medical treatment.

WEATHER

It will be fine in most parts. Low and medium cloud will cover the western and south-western highlands and the western and northern regions. There may be scattered rain.

Winds will be moderate and southerly in the central and northern regions. They may be active and cause sand haze. Seas will be moderate.

Monday's temperatures (Maximum, minimum in centigrade)

Mecca	29	19	Jizan	31	23
Jeddah	29	21	Wujh	26	17
Riyadh	22	10	Turaif	15	05
Dhahran	23	10	Arar	17	05
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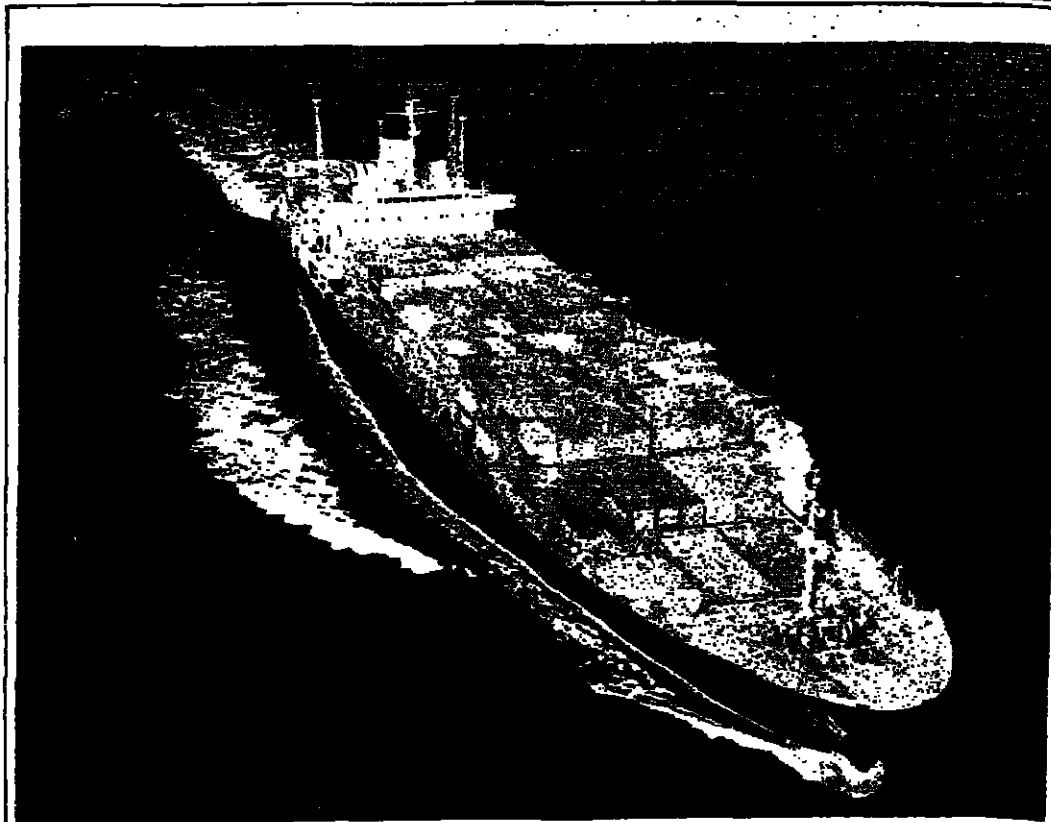
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CONTAINER: The Tohgo Maru, a vessel of a new container line has been formed to work routes between the Far East and the Gulf. It has established sailings to Dammam. Six firms, K. Line, Mitsui OSK Lines, NYK Line, P. and O., Showa Line and Y.S. Line, have combined to form Oasis Container Lines. At the end of last month the *Australia Maru* left Tokyo for the Gulf, planning to call at Yokohama, Nagoya, Kobe, Busan, Hong Kong, Dubai, Dammam, Umm Qasr and Bandar Khomeini.

Federation will discuss

Riyadh University to be Arabized

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — Rector of Riyadh University Dr. Mansour Al-Turki says the Arab Universities Federation will discuss the Arabization of Riyadh University.

Turki was quoted by *Al-Bilad* Monday as saying that a conference was to be held soon after the present meeting in Riyadh of the federation, but had been delayed because research had not gone far enough. It would not be suitable for it to be held at the present time.

He said he has been authorized by the 13th session of the federation, held in Riyadh Saturday and, to handle the procedure of shifting the federation to its new headquarters in Riyadh. The temporary offices are in Baghdad, and the Riyadh headquarters will begin work in three months.

In its meeting Saturday, the board of the federation decided to hold its next gathering in six months in Medina, hosted by Imam Muhammad ibn Saud University.

The board delayed discussing a project for establishing a research center, for improving university and higher education. It also

delayed a project for a university specialized in research and higher studies, because studies on the two projects have not been completed.

The board agreed to hold a seminar on exchange of information and documents in Wabran University of Algiers, and another on rectors of universities to be held in King Faisal University in Dammam.

Turki said the estimated budget for the federation has been fixed. A committee was set up to make a general picture of the federation's future activities to improve its performance, he said.

The objectives of the federation

are to improve the levels of university education and to cooperate between universities to improve research, particularly applied research, Turki said.

Bahrain ruler meets mayors

MANAMA, Dec. 10 (SP) — Ruler of Bahrain Sheikh Ismail bin Hamad Al-Khalifa received Monday visiting mayors of Arabian cities. The meeting attended by Prime Minister Sheikh Khalifa bin Salman. They discussed municipal education.

Campaign expected

Illegal residents warned

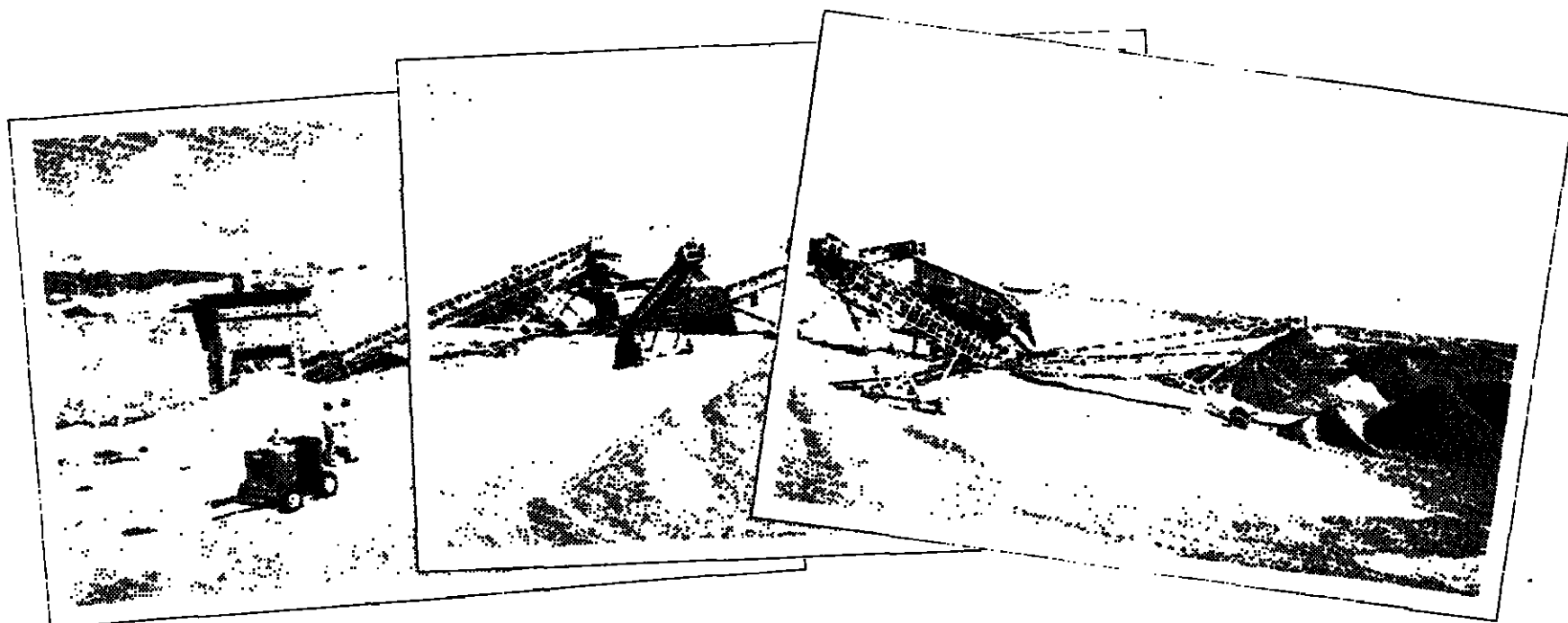
JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — The commander of the Pilgrimage Security Force, Major Gen. Jaber Abdul Hafiz said Monday that Prince Naif, minister of the interior, has instructed him to warn pilgrims not to remain in the Kingdom.

They will be told to leave the country. Saudi Arabians who

house or employ them have warned. They will be punished according to the law. Abdul told *Al-Bilad* Monday.

He called on the public to the government deport all residents. A campaign to them would start shortly, authorities were not investigations, he added.

The "Wolf"-type gravel plant 20 at work in Saudi Arabia



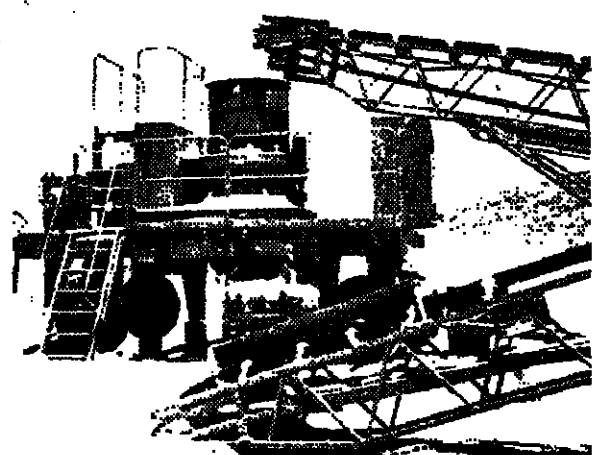
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For municipal services

SR98 million contracts awarded for Jeddah

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — Minister of Public Works and Housing and Urban Affairs Prince Miteb has signed contracts worth SR98 million for public services in Jeddah. The contracts were awarded to foreign and Saudi companies.

Deputy Mayor of Jeddah for Technical Affairs Barakat Bajinaid told *Al-Medina* in an interview published Monday that the awards include the second phase of the project for beautifica-

tion of Jeddah, which cost SR56 million. This covers improving main streets, including Khaled Ibn Walid Street and paving, lighting and putting traffic lights in other streets.

Work will start next week and will take 18 months, Bajinaid said.

Another contract is for building three garbage incinerators for destroying garbage in Jeddah, which cost SR16.5 million. Others include an SR8 million contract for repairing streets, sidewalks

and resurfacing diggings. SR9 million for temporary asphalt in some main streets and a contract for maintenance of streets worth SR8 millions.

Funds have been allocated in the budget, Bajinaid said, and the contracts have been studied from all aspects by the Technical Department of the municipality.

Meanwhile, it was reported that the Civil Defense, Meteorology and security departments at the new Jizan airport have been com-

pleted. They will be handed over soon.

The Royal Terminal and passenger lounges have been furnished and equipped. They will be handed over next week, Asad Najdi, the director of the airport, says.

The Presidency of Civil Aviation is building seven offices for the meteorological department of the airport, and work has been speeded up to complete the remaining lounges on the instruction of the President of Civil Aviation Sheikh Abdullah Mahdi.

Against price-gouging

Spare parts checks set

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — The Ministry of Commerce has formed a team to inspect car spare parts dealers. It will check their invoices and make sure that stores are adequate and that there is no overcharging. The group was set up by the General Directorate of Consumer Protection, the General Directorate for Catering and the chambers of commerce of Jeddah, Riyadh and Dammam.

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An official of the Ministry of Commerce said Monday that the ministry was considering contacting countries which export cars to the Kingdom, to provide it with vouchers and other documents used in charging customs duty on their products. That will allow overcharging to be checked.

Saudi Comment

By Sultan Al-Bazai
Al-Riyadh

A colleague of mine suggested that we count the number of ditches in the streets of Riyadh. He was not convinced of the difficulty of the idea until a drive on Sittin Street. A score of times on a small stretch from the National Hospital circle to the end of the road opposite the airport we went up and down.

The roads are dug and re-dug for replacing old water pipes, laying sewers and telephone and electricity cables. After all this comes roadwidening, which again incorporates all these.

Can you remember how many extensions have been carried out on the automatic telephone network since the project was initiated some 13 years ago? I believe it has been done nearly three to four times. Not only that, the sewage and electricity network will also require extensions in a couple of years at least. It keeps us wondering when it would be possible to undertake extensions, say, after 20 years?

Nearly 15 years ago, I remember, an official put forward the suggestion that tunnels be constructed under all the roads of the capital to contain the networks. These tunnels, which are functioning in all the advanced

cities of the world and are now being constructed in an Arab country, facilitate maintenance work and provide enough space for extensions without causing any disturbance to the public or disfiguring the roads. The worker has only to enter the tunnel for the repairs or extensions.

The vital and wise project had been turned down then, for being a costly venture. But you and I can easily guess how much more we have spent, and will continue to spend.

By Hamad Al-Qadhi
Al-Jezira

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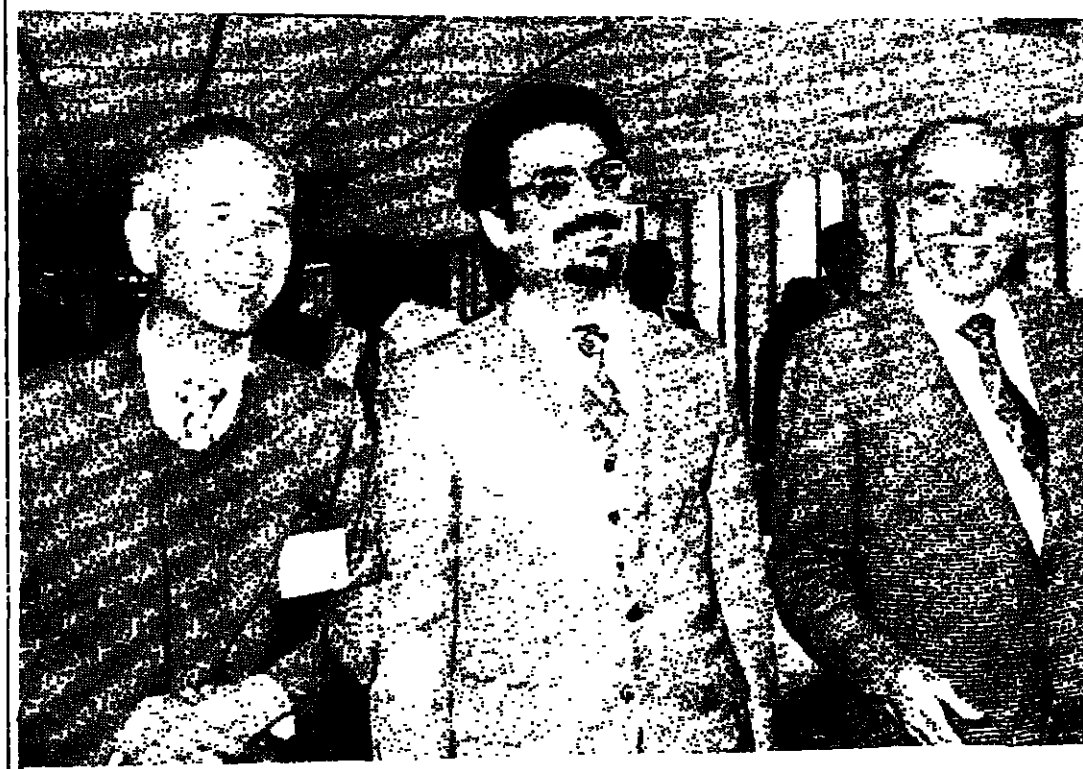
Sindi entertains

Air France man

JEDDAH, Dec. 10 — Sheikh Kamel Sindi, the general manager of Saudia, will give a luncheon for the visiting president of Air France, Gilbert Perol, Tuesday.



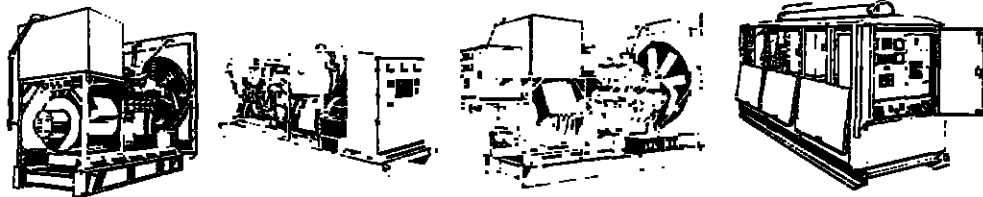
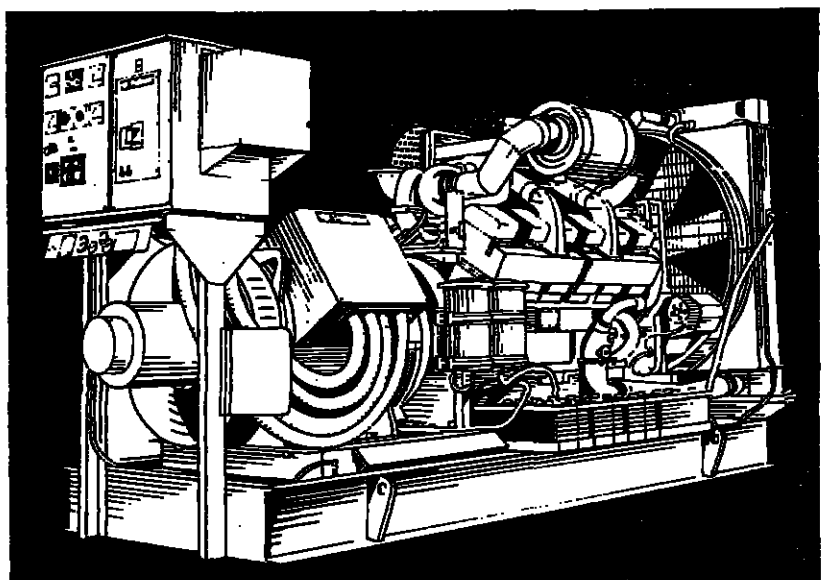
TAIPEI: Nationalist Chinese Education Minister Chu Hwei-sen (above) speaks at the second session of the Sino-Saudi Permanent Committee on Cultural Cooperation recently in Taipei. Beside him sits Deputy Higher Education Minister Dr. Mahmud Safar and Chinese Vice-Minister of Education Li Mo. Below, Safar is greeted at Taipei Airport by LI. The committee agreed on student and academic exchanges.



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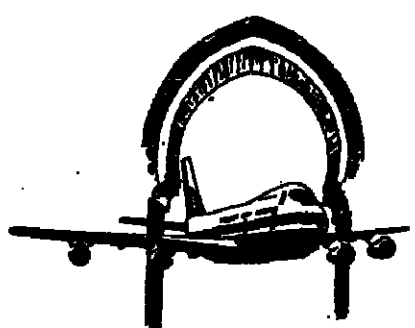
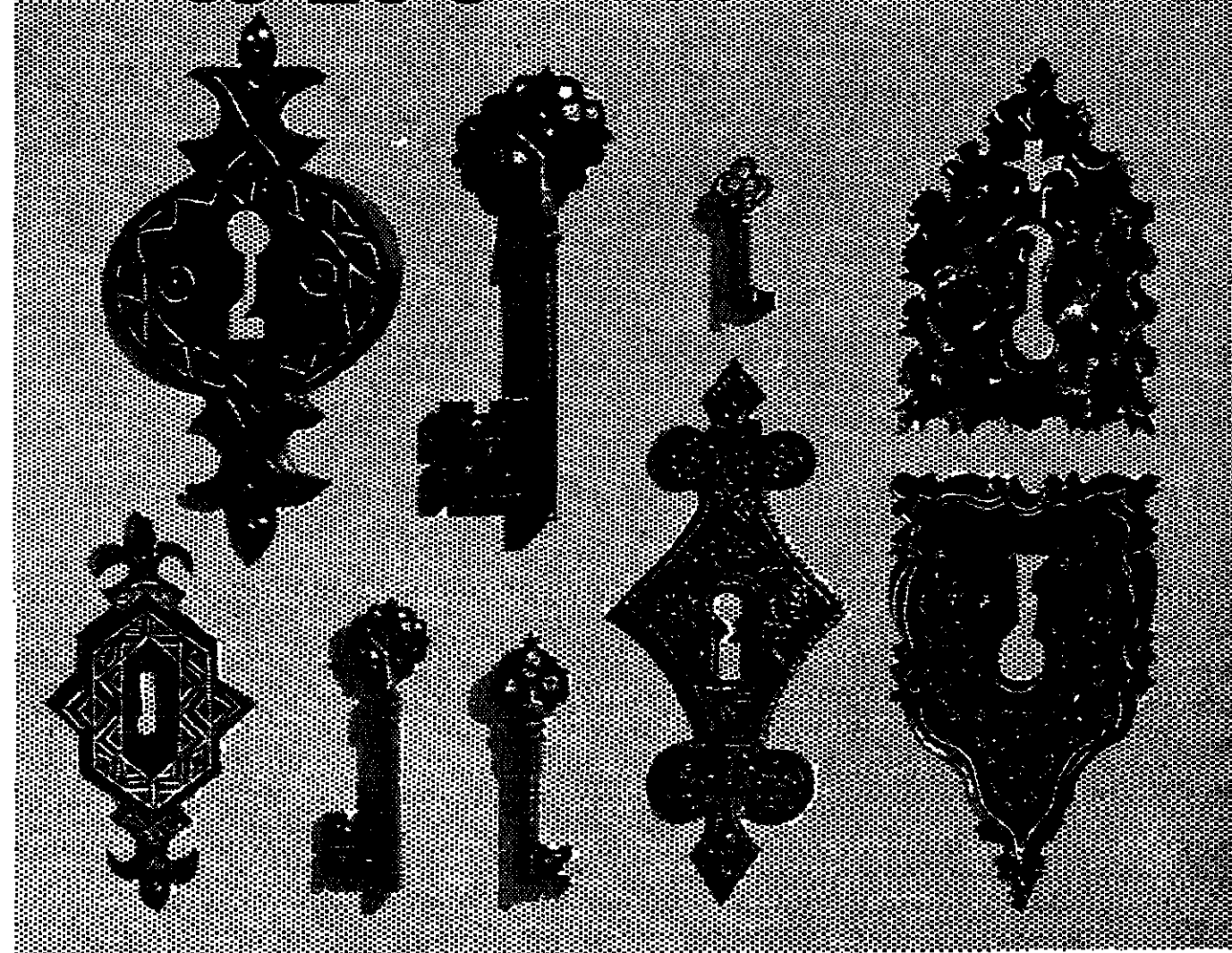
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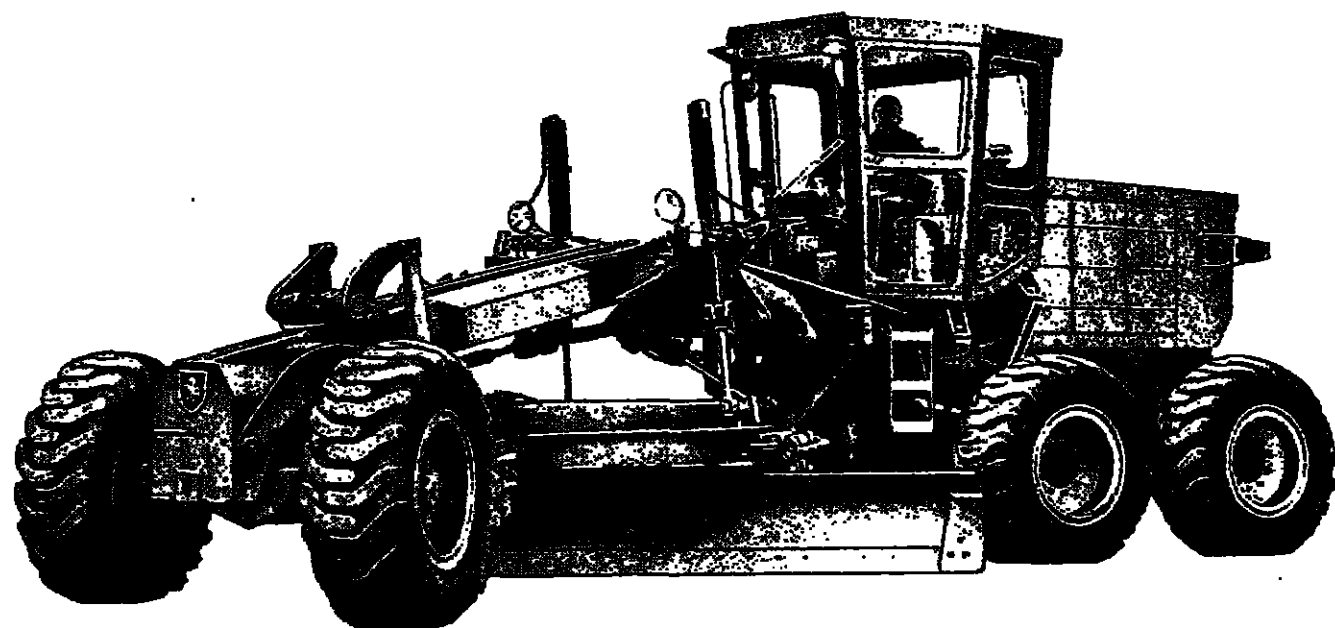
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500 Soviets killed in Afghanistan, says rebel leader

NEW DELHI, Dec. 10 (R) — More than 500 Soviet troops and advisers have been killed by Muslim rebels since fighting between government forces and rebels broke out in Afghanistan in April last year, an Afghan rebel leader said Monday.

Zia Massery, chairman of the Afghan Islamic and National Revolutionary Council, told a press conference here that the Soviet buildup continued in Afghanistan in support of the government of Hafizullah Amin.

Nassery, who said he had just returned from visiting rebel forces in southwest Afghanistan, claimed 800 new Soviet tanks and 100 MI-24 helicopter gunships had recently been brought into Afghanistan. He said the total of Soviet military and civilian advisers in his country was now 25,000, although diplomats in Kabul put the figure at about 7,000.

Nassery said the Soviet gunship, the most modern in Russia's armory, was the weapon most feared by the rebels. "We call them flying tanks," he said.

The MI-24 gunships, seeing action for the first time in Afghanistan, have air to ground missiles along with cannons and machine guns which can lay down a spray of devastating fire. Nassery claimed they were flown by Soviet pilots, as they were too sophisticated for Afghan pilots.

Nassery said the rebels had been unable to show pictures of dead or captured Russians "because they are torn apart by

my people." He admitted that few prisoners were taken, but defectors from the Afghan military were welcomed and were joining the rebels in large numbers.

Nassery admitted that government forces had launched a successful surprise attack on rebel forces in Paktia province in October. But he said rebel forces who were routed had returned to the attack in some areas in Paktia killing more than 400 government troops for the loss of about 50 rebels.

He said the rebels had retaken Urgan and Jaji districts in Paktia and were opening a winter front in areas where the weather was milder. He added that most of the arms used by the rebels — including tanks, armored personnel carriers, anti-aircraft guns and thousands of machine guns — were Soviet weapons captured from government forces.

He expressed disappointment that no aid had been forthcoming for the rebels from Arab countries.

Nassery, who only speaks for one section of the rebels, appealed to the people of the United States, China and "all people of the free world" to extend moral and political support for the people of Afghanistan.

He expressed criticism of the holding of American hostages in Tehran, saying: "We as Muslim freedom fighters urge Ayatollah Khomeini to exercise Islamic principles by releasing the American hostages."



WEAPON INSTRUCTION: Young volunteers planning to fight with Palestinian commandos against Israel in South Lebanon get last minute weapon instruction in Tehran Sunday. The leader of the 1,000 strong force, Sheikh Muhammad Montazeri, says they will leave for Lebanon Monday.

Lebanese government opposed to entry of Iranian volunteers

BEIRUT, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — Lebanon will refuse entry to any Iranian forces coming to join Palestinian commandos in the south of the country, Lebanese Premier Salim Hoss has been quoted by the state-run Beirut radio as saying.

The Lebanese government was doing everything possible to prevent the Iranians entering the country, Hoss said Sunday.

An Iranian religious leader Hojatoleslam Muhammad Montazeri, told a press conference in Tehran Sunday that he would personally lead an advance party of more than 1,000 Iranian volunteers to fight alongside the Palestinians against Israel.

The Lebanese Ministry of Public Works Sunday night issued an order forbidding Iranian planes to land in Lebanon.

The Lebanese government has asked Iran to do all it can to stop the Iranian volunteers coming. Iranian officials in Beirut have stressed that the Iranian government is not responsible for sending them.

But Sheikh Montazeri has claimed that the operation had the backing of Ayatollah Khomeini and that the volunteers would enter Lebanon by force if necessary.

Montazeri, said 1,000 "brothers and sisters" have responded to his independent appeal for 10,000 volunteers.

"We have not had time to process everyone yet," Montazeri said.

He said three planes would fly the volunteers to Lebanon from Monday through Wednesday.

Montazeri said he was unconcerned that Lebanon rejected his offer to help fight Israelis in South Lebanon. "We are going without any visas," he said. "We don't need visas."

He said if the group was refused permission to land in Beirut "we are going to Syria."

He said the volunteers, whose average age was "22 to 23," were also going without weapons.

"Weapons are not important. The important things are human beings," he said. "There are lots of weapons in Lebanon. We'll get what we need there."

Montazeri said the volunteers had "received good training so far" and were familiar with all Western weapons. "Only some Eastern weapons they're not familiar with."

He said they would need 710 days of training in Lebanon to become familiar with the geography and terrain.

Montazeri said the revolutionary council had agreed to pay for the mission and had ordered the army to provide the volunteers with clothes and boots.

Meanwhile, in the South Lebanese village of Tibnin, a local Sheikh said the arrival of volunteers in the south would mean that South Lebanon could be occupied again.

"We hope that the Iranians will understand that and consult the people in the south before taking any decision," Sheikh Abdul Latif Birri said.

In March, 1978, Israeli forces invaded South Lebanon and since then 6,000 United Nations peace-keeping troops have been stationed in the area.

On Friday the Chairman of the Palestine Liberation Organization Yasser Arafat welcomed the idea of dispatching the volunteers to South Lebanon and expressed his readiness to send his commandos to fight under Khomeini's leadership.

Israeli Prime Minister Menachem Begin, whose forces have frequently attacked the Palestinians in the south, said the dispatch of the Iranians to the area will "only aggravate the situation."

Moroccan jet claimed by Polisario

ALGIERS, Dec. 10 (R) — The Polisario Front claims to have shot down a Moroccan Mirage F-1 fighter in heavy fighting around the key military outpost of Zak in southern Morocco.

Third Mirage
The Algerian-backed front, fighting an increasingly bitter war for the independence of the former Sahara, said this was the

third Mirage it had shot down in the last three weeks.

The Mirage's pilot was taken prisoner, the front claimed Sunday night.

The Mirage F-1 only went into service recently with the Moroccan Army, who used the plane for the first time in October when the Polisario Front attacked the

Western Sahara town of Smara.

Killed
The front claimed 130 Moroccan soldiers had been killed and more than 100 wounded in a new attack on Zak. But it did not say when this took place.

The Rabat government said last week that 60 guerrillas were killed around the outpost.

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Kyprianou in Greece for talks

ATHENS, Dec. 10 (R) — President Spyros Kyprianou of Cyprus arrived Sunday for a two-day visit and talks with Greek leaders on the Cyprus problem. He was expected to meet Premier Constantine Karamanlis Monday to discuss the situation, in the light of the six-day debate on Cyprus on the United Nations General Assembly last month. The two leaders are expected to review developments and decide on the further handling of the problem which is a matter of dispute between Greece and Turkey.

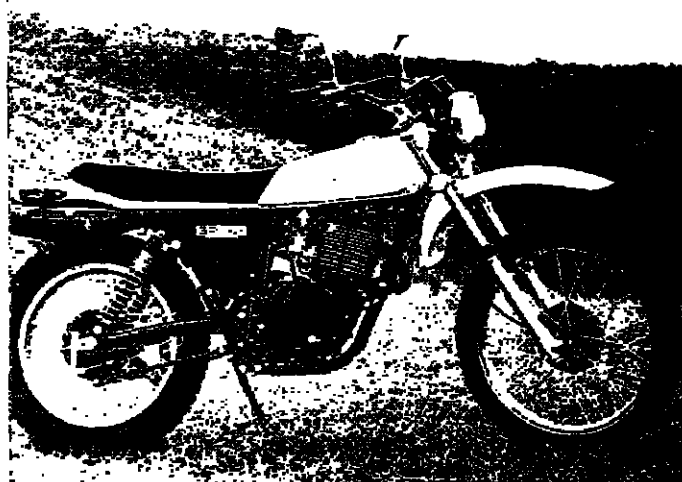
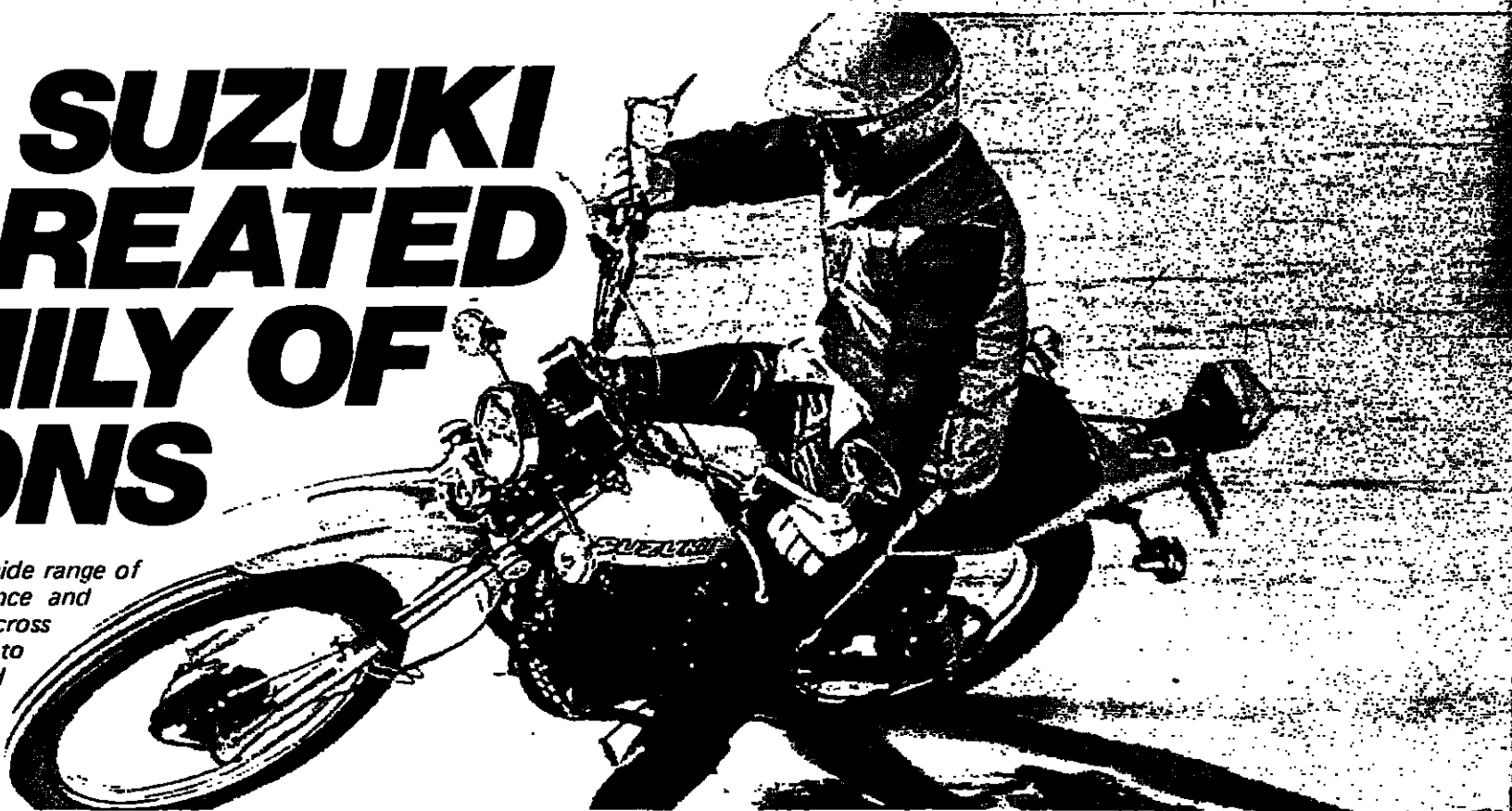
Algeria military team visits Moscow

ALGIERS, Dec. 10 (R) — An Algerian military delegation left Sunday for an official visit to the Soviet Union, the Algerian news agency reported. The delegation was led by Col. Kaddi Merbah, secretary general of the defense ministry, it added without further details.

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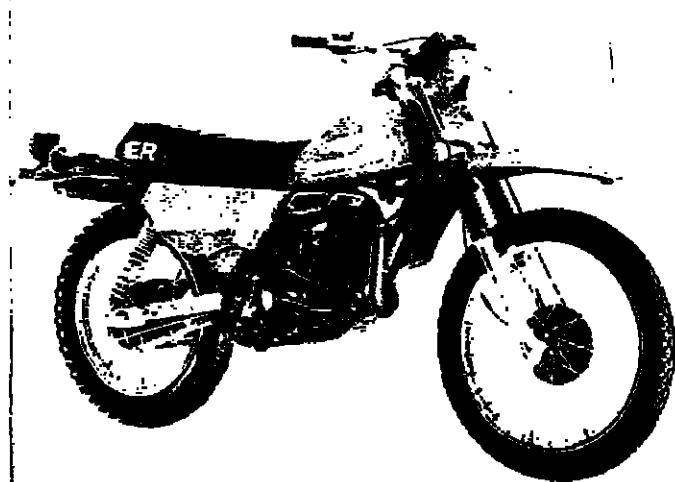
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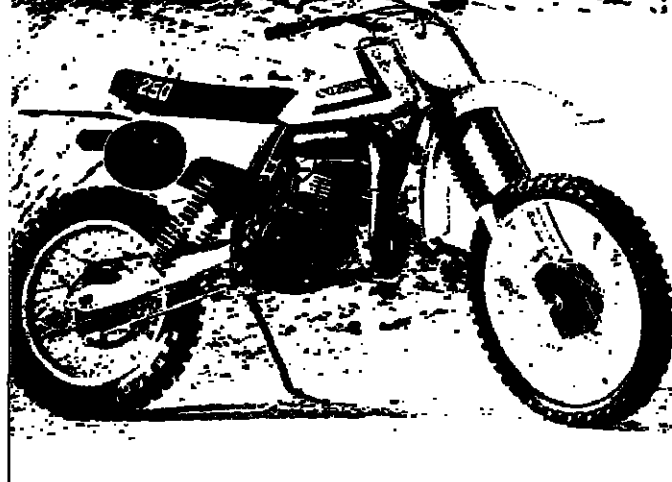
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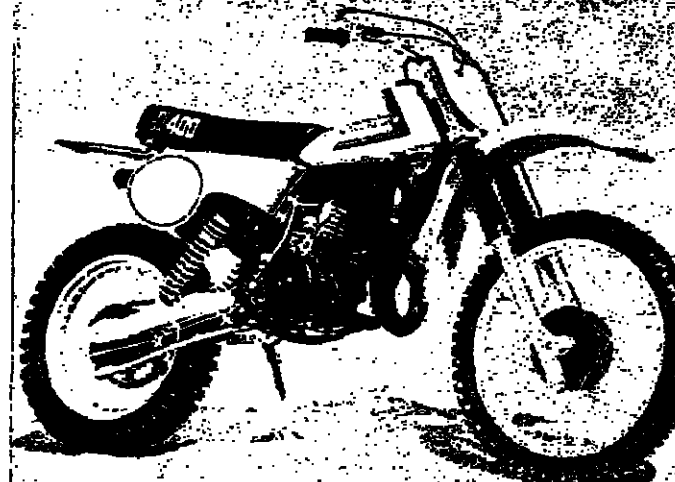
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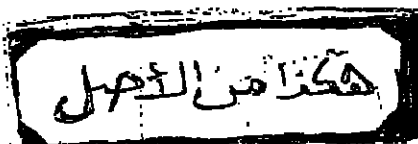
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Seventh consecutive crown

Rams take NFL West title

NEW YORK, Dec. 10 (AP) — The Los Angeles Rams set a National Football League record by winning their seventh consecutive division title. The Miami Dolphins also won a division crown and San Diego, Pittsburgh and Houston were assured wild-card playoff berths Sunday.

The Rams, after a slow start this season, won their fourth game in a row, trouncing the Atlanta Falcons 34-13 to clinch the National Football Conference West title.

The Miami Dolphins, 10-5, gained the American Football Conference East crown by defeating the Detroit Lions 28-10, while the New England Patriots, 8-7, were losing to the New York Jets 27-26.

San Diego, 11-5, the leader in the AFC West, assured itself of a spot in the post-season playoffs by thrashing the New Orleans Saints 35-0.

Pittsburgh, 11-3, and Houston, 10-4, got into the playoffs when the Cleveland Browns, trailing them in the AFC Central, were beaten by the Oakland Raiders 19-14.

Both Cleveland and Oakland are now 9-6 and Denver is 10-5 in the race for the final playoff berth in the AFC.

Meanwhile, Washington moved into a first-place tie with Dallas and Philadelphia at 10-5 in the NFC East with a 28-14 victory over the Cincinnati Bengals.

In the AFC Central, Chicago and Tampa Bay are tied for the lead with 9-6 records after the Bears edged the Green Bay Packers 15-14 Sunday and the Bucs were upset by the San Francisco 49ers 23-7. That left Tampa Bay, Chicago and Washington still alive for the two remaining playoff spots in the NFC.

In other games Sunday, St. Louis trimmed the New York Giants 29-20, the Minnesota Vikings defeated the Buffalo Bills 10-3 and the Kansas City Chiefs topped the Baltimore Colts 10-7.

The Rams, 9-6, took command

against Atlanta with 28 points in the second quarter, including three touchdowns in less than five minutes.

Veteran Bob Griese completed all six pass attempts for 101 yards and two touchdowns in the first quarter, triggering Miami's victory over Detroit, 2-13.

Standings:

American Conference

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
X-Miami	10	5	0	667	317
New England	8	7	0	533	384
Buffalo	7	8	0	467	268
N.Y. Jets	7	8	0	467	310
Baltimore	4	11	0	267	240

Central

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
Pittsburgh	11	3	0	786	371
Houston	10	4	0	714	322
Cleveland	9	6	0	600	347
Cincinnati	3	12	0	209	321

West

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
San Diego	11	4	0	733	394
Denver	10	5	0	667	382
Oakland	9	6	0	600	341
Seattle	8	7	0	533	349
Kansas City	7	8	0	467	349

National Conference

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
Dallas	10	5	0	667	336
Philadelphia	10	5	0	667	313
Washington	10	5	0	667	314
N.Y. Giants	6	9	0	400	230
St. Louis	5	10	0	330	301

Central

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
Tampa Bay	9	6	0	600	370
Chicago	9	6	0	600	364
Minnesota	7	8	0	467	236
Green Bay	4	11	0	267	228
Detroit	2	1	0	133	206

West

	W	L	T	Pts	Opp
X-Los Angeles	9	6	0	600	309
New Orleans	7	8	0	467	341
Atlanta	5	10	0	333	269
San Francisco	2	13	0	133	287



Dan Fouts

In Montreal final

Borg defeats Connors

MONTREAL, Dec. 10 (AP) — Sweden's Bjorn Borg defeated Jimmy Connors of the United States 6-4, 6-2, 2-6, 6-4, Sunday to win the World Championship Tennis Challenge cup before a full house of 5,500 here.

Borg and Connors emerged from an eight-man, split round-robin tournament and advanced to the final after difficult semi-final victories Saturday. Borg beat a scrappy Tim Gullikson of the U.S. 6-3, 6-2, and Connors downed Chile's Hans Gildemeister 4-6, 6-0, 6-2-3.

After an intense first set which took almost an hour to complete, Borg took command in the second of the final, winning 11 straight points after 15-all in the fourth game to take a 5-1 lead.

Russians triumphant in gymnastics meet

FORT WORTH, Texas, Dec. 10 (R) — The Soviet Union had a runaway success at the World Gymnastics Championships, winning twice as many medals as the United States, the closest rivals, in a competition marred by illness.

The Soviet squad toppled the Japanese from their position of supremacy in the men's team championships for the last 20 years, and Alexander Dityatin and Nelli Kim won the individual men's and women's championships to give their country a total of 16 medals.

But the Romanians felt the saddest loss as Nadia Comaneci, the star of the Montreal Olympics, was taken into hospital for an operation on an abscess in her left hand.

Although Comaneci's coach said on Friday she would definitely be in next summer's Moscow Olympics, her operation on Saturday and the painful tissue inflammation, from which she is still suffering, must put her competitive future in doubt.

Even without Comaneci the Romanians took the women's team crown from the Soviet Union. But they were often displeased with the scoring.

Coach Bela Karoly, who registered six complaints in one evening of competition, said: "It's a real pity that the Chinese were scored so much below their level of performance."

Even so, the Chinese women finished fourth and their compatriots fifth in the men's team competition, earning both teams a place at the Moscow Olympics next year.

The American men also showed much improvement at these championships, taking six medals. Defending champion Japan had a lean time, collecting only one medal.

Despite her victory in the individual women's championship Kim was critical of both the judging and the emphasis placed on acrobatics.

"The emphasis is now so much on acrobatics that beauty and



SPOTLIGHT: Yayoi Kano of Japan performs on the uneven parallel bars during the Women's Compulsories at the Fort Worth Gymnastics Championships.

Thomas of the United States tied for the gold medal in floor exercises.

Alexandre Tkachev of the Soviet Union took the bronze.

Owing to the tie for first place, no silver medal was awarded.

Bruckner and Thomas had tied in the event during the team competition earlier in the championships, with a near-perfect 9.9.

Formally O. J. Simpson bows out

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 10 (AP) — O.J. Simpson, the second leading rusher in National Football League history and perhaps the greatest runner of his time, formally announced his retirement Sunday before the final home game of his career.

The San Francisco 49er running back told the crowd at Candlestick

Park before the game with Tampa Bay, "over the years, I have heard your applause and appreciated your cheers. I already know that's what I'm going to miss the most."

Simpson, who had gained 11,198 career yards going into the game, did not start his final home appearance, having given up his spot to Paul Hofer six games ago.

One-under-par

Jacklin seizes Venezuelan Open

CARACAS, Dec. 10 (AP) — Only Jacklin of Britain fired a one-under-par 69 Sunday for a total of 276 to win the 72-hole Venezuelan Open golf tournament.

Jacklin, 35, played steady golf and surpassing Manuel Pinero of

Spain by three strokes on the final round.

Bernhard Langer, who leads the South American Grand Prix golf tour, came in third at the Lagunita Country Club 6,760 yard course.

Jacklin put together rounds of 70 and 69 in winning with a 276

total on the strength of a spectacular iron shot to the 18th green.

Pinero, who was leading after 36 holes, played rounds of 70 and 72 for a 278 total, two strokes off the pace.

Langer scored 70 and 71 on the final day for a total of 281 for the three-day tournament.

Vicente Fernandez of Argentina placed fourth with a 282, and Mike Miller of Britain was fifth with 284.

In Florida, Dave Eichelberger and Murie Breer birdied their way back from an over-par start to a 20-under 268 finish Sunday and a one-stroke victory in the Mixed Teams Golf Tournament.

Ivory Coast rally begins

ABIDJAN, Dec. 10, (R) — Bjorn Waldegaard of Sweden and Andy Cowan of Britain led the field after the first day of the Ivory Coast's Bandama rally.

The rally, one of the world's toughest, claimed its first victim only 30 kilometers from the start. Last year's winner, Jean-Pierre Nicolas of France, had to retire when his Peugeot broke an axle.

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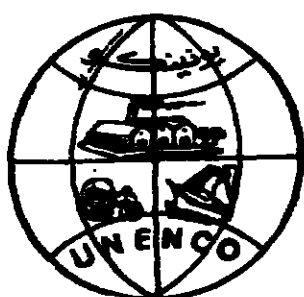
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THE PRICE OF DIVISION

Arabs everywhere, citizens as well as leaders, cannot help feeling aware that the Arab world for some time now has been passing through a crucial stage of its history. They cannot but now that their enemies have long since passed into the offensive. They no longer suffice themselves with exploiting any mistake, any sign of weakness that the Arab countries might make. They actively conspire now, and will not rest until all ope of justice, and of a peace in which justice is the guide and estimation, are extinguished in the Arab lands.

Yet it is said to say that this awareness has not yet generated the commensurate response. Instead of tending towards unity of purpose and action, we see everywhere growing signs of division. When no real issues seem to divide country from country, dead issues are brought to life or trivial issues fabricated and then endowed with importance far beyond their real merit. It is as if division and weakness have become a purpose. As if the machinations of our enemies were not real enough and dangerous enough.

Something has gone deeply wrong with the Arab world. In the fifties, Arab nationalism provided a driving and unifying force which, however many mistakes were committed in its name, still was able to inspire the Arab world. This flame had died out by now; and in its place there is only the cold, bitter wind of division, of sectarianism and isolationism, of partisanship against the common good, blowing through the length and breadth of Arab lands.

This state of affairs is all the more to be regretted since the chief enemy, the Israelis, are themselves in deep trouble, with no hope of the Arabs, with their vast potential, being able to capitalize on it so that the historic injustice done to the Palestinians is at long last righted.

Israel is at the point of collapse. Its economic situation is nothing less than disastrous. Its political structure teetering on the edge of chaos. The Israelis themselves say this now, witness Dr. Israel Peled, mayor of Ramat Ghan, who said recently that Begin was a destroyed man who is driving Israel to destruction. But Israel has one point of strength, and this is also amply realized by the Israelis, which is Arab division and Arab weakness.

Newspapers Monday mostly led the Crown Prince Fahd's visit to the injured men being treated in a hospital, expressing his pride in their heroic defense of the faith and the country. The crown prince is reported to have told the injured that their wounds were medals of pride for them and their families. The King's message to the armed forces also formed a lead story in some of the newspapers which so highlighted that liberal words will be given to all those who helped in the purging of the Holy Haram from the renegades. Newspapers frontpaged the expression of thanks and appreciation from the King and his crown prince to the Director and personnel of Public Security for their heroic defense of the Grand Mosque from the group of renegades. Also in front-page stories, the apers gave prominence to Iran's reported boycott of the Hague court sessions and to the Iranian volunteers going to Lebanon to

join the Palestinian ranks to fight against Israel in South Lebanon. Commenting on the royal command to look after the welfare of the bereaved families, Al-Medina said the state's care for those whose men lost their lives defending the House of God from the corrupt group is an extension of the government's extensive care for the people of this country.

"Even during the days when there was shortage of resources the state had opened the state treasury for the welfare of the people," said the paper, adding that "the government continued to realize its objectives of state welfare by spending on major projects and raising the standards of the citizens in the field of education, know-how and training, so that they can actively participate in taking the country towards progress and advancement."

The paper said that the renegades wanted to undo all this

Portugal has moved towards the right after five years of flirtation with Marxism and socialism ushered in by the young officers who ended nearly half a century of right-wing dictatorship with a coup in 1974.

This month Portuguese returned the right-wing Democratic Alliance to power at the second parliamentary general elections to be held since the so-called "Flower Revolution" ousted the government of Marcello Caetano, successor to the late dictator Antonio Salazar.

Fears that the Portuguese electorate had tired of the democratic process after two attempted coups, four elections and 11 governments since the revolution and would abstain in vast numbers proved totally unfounded.

On December 2, a Sunday, 87.5 per cent of the 6,758,447 eligible voters cast valid ballots, over four per cent more than at the first general elections in 1976.

The four-month-old Democratic Alliance of the center-right Social Democrats (PSD), the conservative Center Democrats (CDS), the Popular Monarchist Party (PPM) and a group of "reform" socialists emerged as outright winners.

The Alliance will have an overall majority in the new 250-seat parliament, the first since the 1976 general elections.

The Alliance won 118 seats in mainland Portugal and seven of the 10 seats on the Atlantic islands of Madeira and the Azores through one of its component parties, the Social Democrats.

This gave the Alliance exactly half the seats in the new parliament. But with clear indications that it will win three of the four overseas seats to be decided by postal ballot, the new government should have a slender six-seat majority over the combined opposition.

The socialists, who were victors in the 1976 elections though without a majority, slumped badly at the polls this time to return only 73 deputies to the new parliament plus probably one of the overseas seats, compared with its 107 in the former larger 263-seat house.

The Communists, fighting as an electoral front called the Peoples United Alliance (APU) with the small Portuguese Democratic Movement (MDP), made massive gains winning seven more seats than the 40 they returned in 1976.

The headline, pro-Moscow Portuguese Communist Party (PCP) which rejects Eurocommunism and

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opposes Portugal's planned membership of the European Economic Community (EEC), hailed its success as a clear victory for the masses that supported the 1974 revolution.

The Communist share of the poll rose from 14.6 per cent in 1976 to 19 per cent this time. About a quarter of the electorate voted for parties to the left of the socialists, including the Communists.

Though the socialist share dropped from 35 per cent in 1976 to 27.4 per cent this time, Communist Party Secretary General Alvaro Cunhal, at 66 is oldest of Portugal's party leaders, rightly claimed that the majority of Portuguese still voted for the left.

Of the fringe left parties ranging from Marxist-socialists to Maoists and Trotskyites, only the extreme-left Popular Democratic Union (UDP) won enough votes to return a candidate to the new parliament.

One of the anomalies of the result was the success of the Alliance in the Southern Alentejo wheatbelt, a Communist stronghold, and Communist gains in the northern traditional Catholic areas, formerly regarded as an Alliance preserve.

The rejection of socialism can be put down to a wish for change following the record of the two post-1976 governments led by party leader Mario Soares.

The Communist Party machine, developed from the underground cell network setup when the party was banned under Salazar, proved its efficiency in getting its supporters to vote.

The Alliance ran a skillfully low key campaign, avoiding controversial issues and ignoring the diatribes from the Communists and far left that the party leaders were the heirs of Salazar.

Its campaign centered on the personalities of the three main leaders, Francisco sa Carneiro of the Social Democrats, conservative leader Diogo Freitas do Amaral and Goncalo Ribeiro Telles, whose monarchists are mainly concerned with environmental issues.

Francisco sa Carneiro, a fiery 45-year-old Opporto lawyer whom Communist cartoonists depict as a spoiled child with a big nose, will be the new prime minister succeeding Portugal's first woman premier, Maria de Lourdes Pintasilgo.

Shortly after the revolution sa Carneiro and his associates formed the Popular Democratic party, changing its name later to the Social Democrat Party (PD) which emerged as the second strongest party behind the socialists in the 1976 elections.

His uncompromising stand against Soares' socialist government led to clashes within his own party

and in late 1977 he resigned the party leadership in protest.

An enormous response from the party rank-and-file followed and sa Carneiro was returned to the leadership in triumph with all his policies adopted.

But the divisions ran too deep and finally the so-called urban or Lisbon group of intellectuals quit the party.

To many a party leader this would have been a shattering blow but sa Carneiro shrewdly judged that the loss would not be translated into many votes.

In the former socialist stronghold of Lisbon, for example, the Alliance made major gains with its percentage of the vote increasing by 10 per cent to return six more deputies, despite the dissident PSD group asking its supporters to vote socialist.

It will require great tact and diplomacy on the part of the Alliance leader, characteristics he is not noted for, to weld the disparate sectors of the new front into a cohesive group. His first problem will be in choosing his cabinet.

The difficulty facing sa Carneiro is that if he fails to placate the various parties through judicious distribution of cabinet posts and juggling priorities of policy, the Alliance will disintegrate.

The Alliance's future depends on its ability to govern without internal disputes before general elections scheduled under the constitution for October next year.

President Antonio Ramalho Eanes called interim general elections at this time as the only democratic alternative after two socialist governments and two presidentially appointed non-party governments failed to win majority parliamentary support.

Eanes appointed Miss Pintasilgo to provide government continuity until the general elections, a move which infuriated the Alliance who labelled her a Third World Marxist who favored abortion despite her professed Catholic convictions.

The Alliance was incensed when she introduced wide ranging social measures such as increased pensions on the eve of the elections and spoke to the nation about implementing legislation from the first socialist government.

The right-wing saw this as a desperate last minute plea to the electorate to vote socialist and her country wide meet-the-people sessions looked very much like campaigning to the Alliance.

The Alliance was highly critical of President Eanes for inviting socialist leader Mario Soares to dinner the week before the election. Singing out only one political leader was a clear sign to the electorate of where the presidential support lay, the

Alliance argued.

Sa Carneiro has been bitterly critical of Eanes for years, accusing him at one moment of planning military-presidential rule and later of being soft on the left.

Sa Carneiro has made it clear the Alliance will not support General Eanes if he stands for a second presidential term in 1981. The Alliance wants a civilian president, he said.

Against this background of strong antipathy the Alliance has to win the backing of the president whose extensive powers, including the right to veto government legislation, could enable him to seriously block planned reforms.

There are indications that the Alliance will avoid criticism of the president for the time being and will also try to establish reasonable relations with the vanquished Socialist Party.

The Alliance is determined to amend the constitution with its declared intention to steer Portuguese society towards socialism. But this would require a two thirds majority which would be impossible without Socialist support.

The new government will also wish to amend the electoral law to make voting compulsory, though the near 90 per cent turnout at the last elections makes this less of a priority.

The Alliance wants to enact a dual nationality law whereby the two million disenfranchised Portuguese living mainly in Brazil, the United States, Canada, Venezuela, France, West Germany and South Africa could vote in the Portuguese general elections.

On the economic front the Alliance wants to return state monopolies such as banking and insurance to private enterprise. Many uneconomic enterprises subsidised by the state will be handed back to private ownership.

The new government is pledged to speed up compensation payments for land and businesses seized by workers following the revolution and will continue to hand back land to former owners.

Such moves will lead the government into a head on collision course with the newly-strengthened Communist Party which still controls about 85 per cent of the Portuguese labor force.

The Alliance is also expected to appoint a minister for Europe to speed up the processing of Portugal's application to join the Common Market.

But first the postal votes must be counted before the official general election result is officially known, probably on December 12 or 13. When these are published in the official gazette, Eanes will be able to ask sa Carneiro to form a government. — (R)

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and to take the people back to the dark days of ignorance. "The royal order to frame a statute to look after the welfare of the bereaved families is an honest application of the Islamic norms and the traditions of 'the holy' Prophet and the Caliphs who had succeeded him," it added.

In an editorial on Crown Prince Fahd's visit to the injured men now being treated in hospitals, Okaz said that the crown prince's visit "shows a strong link of love and affection that exists between the leadership and the citizens of this country. This kind of cohesion is the outcome of the form of society that exists in this country, since the leadership derives its strength from the people who work in harmony with it for the welfare of the country."

"In visiting the injured the crown prince has shown a deep sense of appreciation of the bravery of those who sacrificed their blood in defense of this land. The

social texture to which both the crown prince and the injured belong and the deep feelings of the crown prince were reflected in his words when he said that the whole nation felt proud of those who had the honor of defending the Holy Places."

Al-Bilad also said that the soldiers who defended the House of God from the clique of renegades were a source of pride for the whole nation. "Without caring for strategic difficulties, they had advanced to protect the sanctity of the Sacred Mosque fully reinforced with the power of their faith, sincerity and their loyalty to the leadership of this country," it said.

"It is only natural for the leadership to be proud of these injured soldiers whom the crown prince visited telling them that they had performed an obligation toward their faith and country and had thus entitled themselves of the nation's praise."

Al-Jazirah endorsed the crown prince's sentiments toward the soldiers who faced the difficult situation at the Holy Haram with great courage. It said "the soldiers' faith in God and their sovereign provided them the real strength in the hours of trial when they successfully fought the gang and purged the Holy Mosque from them."

The paper said that the crown prince's visit to the injured exhibited the leadership's attachment to the people and added that the visit would prove to be a healing balm on the injuries.

Al-Riyadh extolled the close link between the leadership and the people and said that both have given a splendid example in acknowledging the sacrifices of the martyrs. The paper added that unrestricted cooperation in a good cause emanates from a total belief in the mission that they had taken upon themselves to fulfill.



"SR 10 a kilo this tomato? Don't you fear God?"
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n enjoyable, despised book

by CLARE KENT

Jonathan Raban's book, *Arabia Through the Looking Glass*, has been dismissed by many as superficial rubbish. This is much in my mind when I read *Arabia Through the*

Looking Glass.

To my surprise I found myself enjoying this book. The dialogue flows easily along. The naive of the observer has a certain charm, though one wonders at times if the wide eyed approach is genuine. It seems at first like a travel

book, but Raban was not a traveller in Arabia in the old sense as he himself admits. He went to find out about modern Arabia and its people and was inevitably caught up in a certain amount of expatriate life. Having recently read an article

about the promotion of tourism in the Gulf, promising Mediterranean-style beach attractions with camping in the desert bedu-style thrown in, I thought I might find something of this in *Arabia Through the Looking Glass*. But Raban's view of the Gulf is realistic, not romantic, apart from a brief flirtation with the Greek in Dubai.

His delight in the labyrinth of streets and the sectioning of the souq makes one realize how quickly one accepts this. No one living in the Middle East gives a thought to the fact that all the carpenters are in one section, all the gold sellers in another, and the vegetable stalls in yet another. Can it really be, as Raban suggests, an Islamic love of orderliness? Raban visited Bahrain, Qatar,

in Jeddah:

"A roundabout is not a feature of the road-system; it is a space in its own right, a miniature park which just happens to be surrounded by automobiles -- and in Manama the roundabouts are altogether prettier and more useful places than most English civic parks. People sleep through the afternoons under their palm trees; at night they hold card games and picnics under their sodium street lights, oblivious to the traffic at their elbows. A screen of green or a screen of light, makes a ready-made larder or veil; however public the situation -- even when it's in the middle of a thundering dual carriageway -- an ingenious man can improvise a private world within it."

Raban's characters, too, are enjoyable and familiar: Ronald

I wished then that he had stuck to writing a pure travel book. I began to get bored with rumination just as he was obviously bored with Arabia.

Abu Dhabi, Dubai, Yemen, Egypt and Jordan, in that order. His descriptions and impressions of places must be interesting to newcomers to the area and certainly refreshing for those more jaded.

He arrived in Bahrain at night so that his first impression of, and comment on, Arabia is based on the taxi which carries him from the airport.

"A car in Arabia is a fine and private place. It is an eight-cylinder estaminet in which you can sleep, eat, drink and conduct your social and business life. Houses tend to be left bare; plain little boxes of mud and brick. Cars bring out all their owners' genius for lavish interior decoration. Every one is different, decked out in colors unknown to nature, draped, cushioned, filled with ornaments and trinkets."

Another description I particularly like is of a scene familiar here

Moon destined to a lonely life being 'active' in the Gulf for his British firm; fishing companion Dave hiding from an unhappy divorce; sad Major Barza with his dated waxed moustache and his hidden picture album; Yemeni students in Carnaby Street suits practising their English and chewing qat; disillusioned Egyptian writers and painters; the cocktail set in Jordan.

At some stage, possibly among the impenetrable tower-like houses of Yemen, and after Raban had tried chewing a bunch of 'privet', the descriptions and the characters begin to drown in a sea of reflections. Was he genuinely trying to find out about Arabs and Arabia?

I wished then that he had stuck to writing a pure travel book. I began to get bored with rumination just as he was obviously bored with Arabia.

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But denies genocide

Pol Pot acknowledges killings

TOKYO, Dec. 10, (R) — Deposed Cambodian Prime Minister Pol Pot admitted in an interview published Monday that several thousand Cambodians had died "due to some mistakes" in implementing his government's policy.

But Pol Pot, giving his first interview to foreign correspondents since fleeing Phnom Penh last January, denied that his regime was guilty of genocide.

He said Vietnam had been responsible for the deaths of many of his people and had shifted the blame on to him.

Japan's Kyodo news agency said Pol Pot had been interviewed by a group of Japanese journalists at a guerrilla base near the Thai

border last Saturday.

Asked about the widespread allegations of mass murder that had been levelled against his regime, Kyodo quoted him as saying, "Only several thousand Kampuchians might have died due to some mistakes in implementing our policy of providing an affluent life for the people and also due to the distortion of our policy by Vietnamese agents."

Pol Pot said his current policy was to defend the nation and people from Vietnam's attempt to "annihilate" Cambodia but obtaining military supplies, both inside the country and from China, had become difficult.

He said 50,000 Cambodian guerrillas, recruited from five reg-

ular divisions, had been putting up stiff resistance throughout the country against 200,000 Vietnamese troops.

Pol Pot said, "We have been making contacts with all sorts of groups, including Free Khmer, Khmer Serika and deposed Kampuchean head of state Prince Norodom Sihanouk (now in Paris) to form a national front. Prince Sihanouk is not our enemy."

He claimed 95 per cent of Cambodians, estimated at 7.7 million people at the time of elections in 1976, were supporting him.

The correspondents said Pol Pot looked healthy and was smiling throughout the interview.

Pol Pot's clandestine radio claimed Monday that the guerrillas repulsed a second major attack by the Vietnamese in the province of Oddar Meanchey in late November and early this month.

The radio said 1,120 Vietnamese were killed or wounded in attacks against several Pol Pot camps in 17 days of military action.

A large quantity of weapons and ammunition was also seized or destroyed, the radio said.

Western sources in Bangkok have recently noted an increase in Pol Pot strength in Oddar Meanchey. There have also been reports of Pol Pot guerrillas infiltrating to that area from other parts of Cambodia, where the Vietnamese have conducted a tough campaign to root out Pol Pot remnants.

Fulton Sheen, N.Y. priest, dies at 84

NEW YORK, Dec. 10 (AP) — Archbishop Fulton Sheen, one of the American Catholic Church's best-known figures through his television programs, died Sunday night at the age of 84.

Sheen died at his home at 601 Manhattan's Upper East Side after a long battle with heart disease.

The body was removed to a New York City chapel, where information of funeral plans was not immediately available.

Sheen was also known as the instructor of the country's most famous non-Catholics who converted to the Catholic faith.

He was appointed Bishop of Rochester, New York, in October 1966, and initially it appeared that he was giving up his national position for a small diocese in upstate New York.

But within a week of his arrival, Sheen became involved in a dispute between black militants and an Eastman Kodak Company plant in Rochester involving the hiring of 600 blacks.

His religious commentary program, called "The Catholic Hour," began on radio in 1930, and eventually spread to television as "Life is Worth Living." Though a progressive on many social and church matters, Sheen was a relentless foe of Communism.



DENIES GENOCIDE: A refugee suffering from malaria is carried by Red Cross officials and Cambodians to a new camp in Thailand recently. Hundreds of thousands of Cambodians have either starved or fled their country since January when a Vietnamese-led force ousted former Prime Minister Pol Pot. Pol Pot Monday admitted his regime killed a "few thousand people" by mistake but denied genocide.

Armenians claim responsibility

Explosions injure nine in Rome

ROME, Dec. 10 (AP) — Two explosions rocked the offices of the Philippine Airlines, the British Airways and a commercial bank in downtown Rome Sunday night, injuring at least nine persons.

Among the injured were a honeymooning Italian couple reported in serious condition, two Canadian tourists, a West German priest and two Maltese citizens.

Police said a "crude" explosive device went off in front of the Via Bissolati branch of the Bank of Naples, shattering windows in at least four buildings in the area. About five minutes later, a more powerful bomb hit the Philippine Airlines office, located a block away from the bank office.

An English-speaking caller

later told a news agency that the attack had been carried out by "the New Armenian Resistance Movement" — a newcomer on the Italian terrorism scene.

All of the injured were passers-by hit by flying glass from the second blast, police said. The second explosion also shattered windows and partly destroyed doors in the offices of the Philippine Airlines, the British Airways and nearby shops and offices.

The offices of the Pan American Airways and Israel's El Al Airlines are also located on the same block but did not sustain any damage.

Elsewhere in Rome, a group of youths set afire a police patrol car and partially destroyed another passenger vehicle in a late evening

rampage, police said.

Two Maltese citizens were among the injured. They were identified as Alfred Muscat, 35, and Arthur Cordina, 36, both requiring at least eight days of hospitalization.

Sources at the hospital said the honeymooning couple suffered multiple fractures and cuts.

Train kills 3 brothers in Indiana

MEDORA, Indiana Dec. 10 (AP) — Three young brothers, fleeing in fright and ignoring their father's warning to jump from a railroad trestle, were struck by a freight train Sunday and hurled into White River, police said.

Their bodies were not immediately recovered the boys were identified as Gregory Spicer, 17,

and his brothers William, 12, and Jason, 2½.

State police said the boys, their father, Granville Spicer of Austin, Indiana, and a friend who was not identified were walking across the river and on the trestle about 3 kilometers northeast of here in southern Indiana and some 8 meters above the river.

Veteran politician

New acting premier chosen in S. Korea

SEOUL, Dec. 10 (AP) — Deputy Premier Shin Hyon-hwak, the chief architect of South Korea's most recent economic success, was named Monday as acting premier in the first cabinet appointment announced by newly chosen President Choi Kyu-hah.

An announcement said the 59-year-old Shin was named premier to help cope with the serious economic problems South Korea will be facing in the coming year. Shin, who began his government career in 1943 when Korea was under Japanese rule, will become premier after his appointment is approved by the National Assembly.

He served in various government posts, rising to become the youngest minister of reconstruction under the late President Syngman Rhee in 1959. In the years immediately after President Park Chung-hee came to power in 1961, Shin served on his council of economic advisors.

In the late 1960s, he left government and spent several years in private business, returning to public life after election to the National Assembly in 1973 from Park's ruling party.

Park named him health minister in 1975 and elevated him to

deputy premier and minister of economic planning in 1978, a post in which he has tried to cope with South Korea's rising inflation while maintaining its high economic growth.

Presidential spokesman Si Ki-won said Shin would resign from the assembly and the majority Democratic Republican Party (DRP) to take the post. He explained this was part of Choi's policy to make his interim cabinet as neutral as possible.

Minutes after his appointment was announced, Shin went to the headquarters and personally submitted his resignation. He also sent a letter of resignation to the assembly secretariat.

An assembly spokesman said the legislative body would convene a plenary session Wednesday to act on Shin's resignation and appointment.

The presidential spokesman said Choi's interim government has two main tasks — to carry out democratic reforms and achieve economic stability.

He said Choi wanted an economic expert as premier because of the nation's serious economic situation, complicated by oil shortages. South Korea imports 100 per cent of its needs.

"Our current economic situation is more serious than people generally think," the spokesman added.

Inflation is expected to rise above 20 per cent this year and the economic growth rate between eight and nine per cent.

Choi was elected last Thursday to succeed Park, who was assassinated by the country's intelligence chief Oct. 26.

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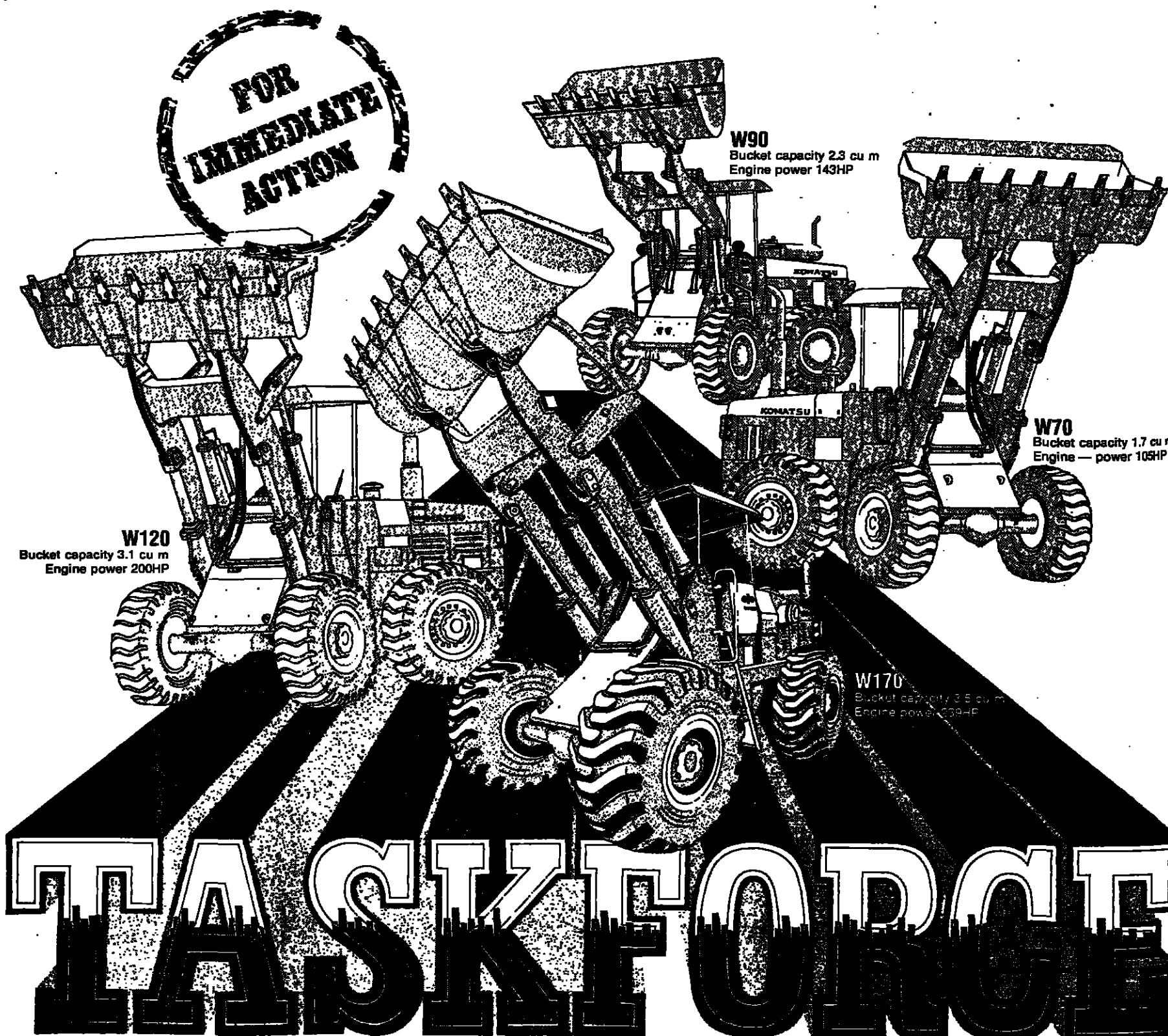
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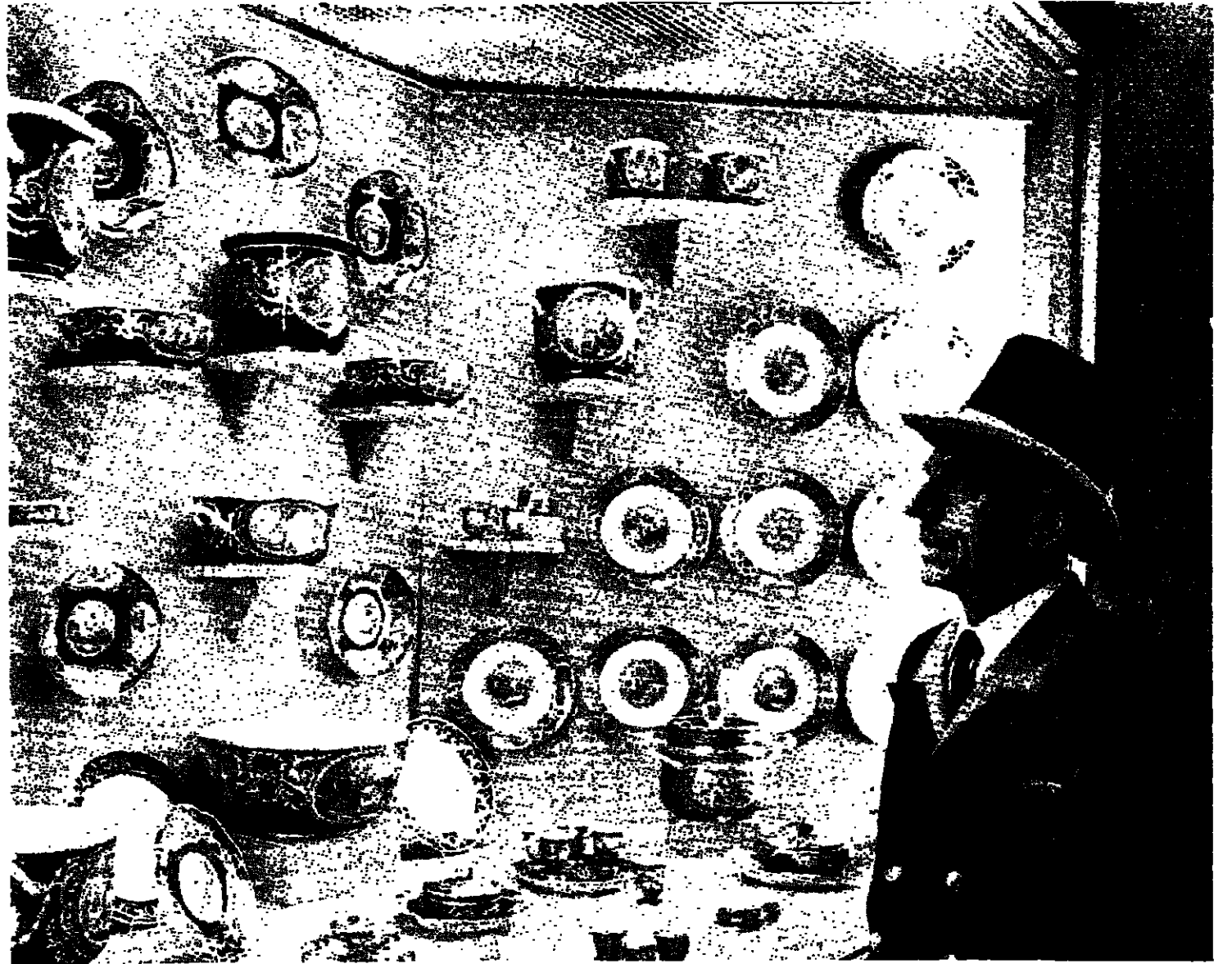
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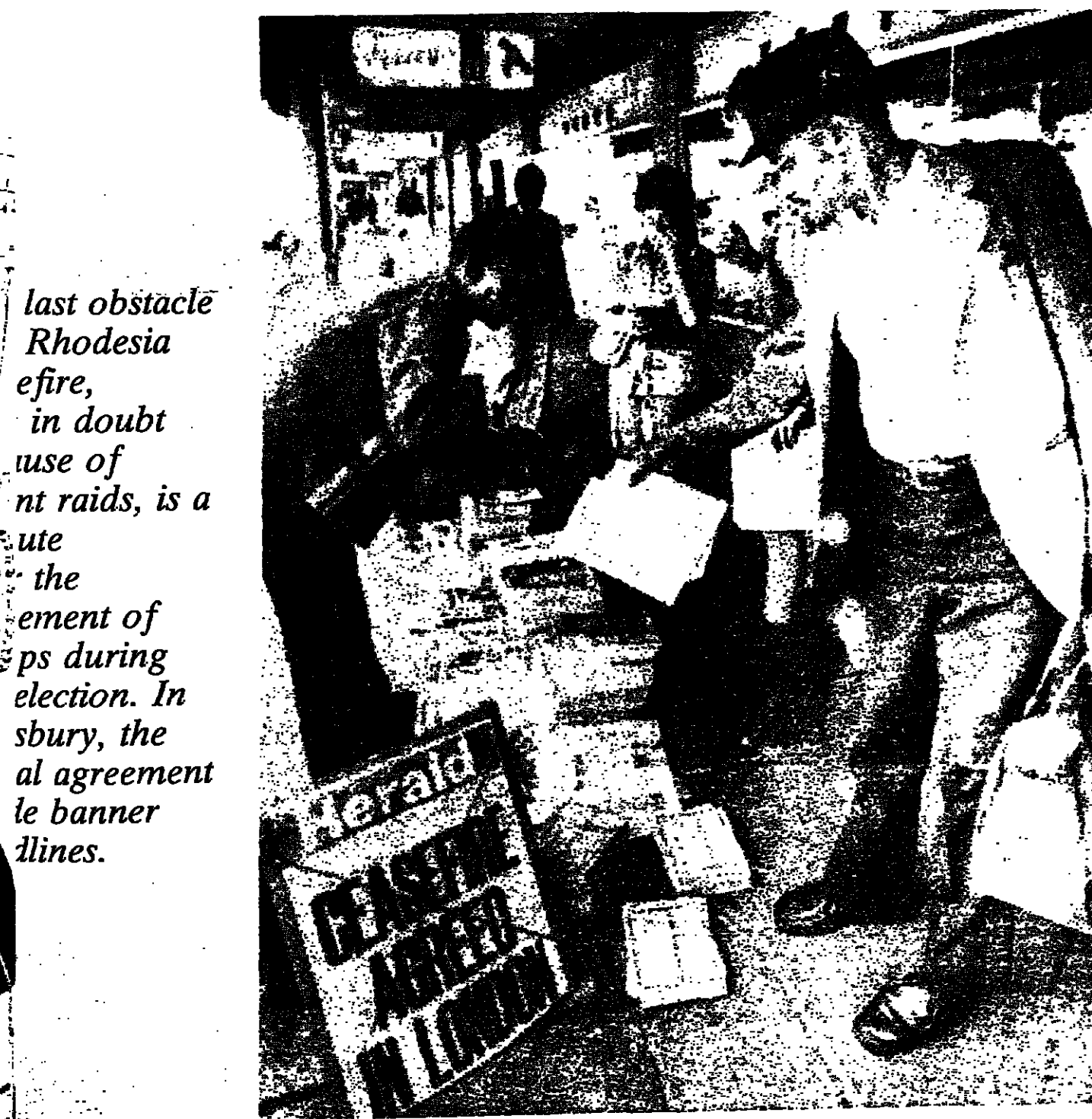
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Liza Minnelli walks down the aisle with her third husband, Mark Gero, in New York recently.

Joan Kennedy, looking out over the Charles River, said she would like to be a First Lady who works.



Biggest 1-day plunge Dollar dives 10 yen

TOKYO, Dec. 10 (AP) — The dollar dove more than 10 yen against the yen in a wave of selling Monday, the biggest one-day plunge in Tokyo in the memory of foreign exchange dealers here.

The dollar closed at 131.25 yen, down from 241.65 yen last Friday.

"I think this is the first time this has happened; it was a crazy market," one dealer said after 1.128 billion spot dollars were sold in hectic trading.

Dealers said a general feeling of uncertainty over the dollar's future hung over the market as Japanese newspapers reported that the dollar, recently as high as 251 yen, had hit its ceiling.

One dealer said there was a "bandwagon effect" as nobody wanted to be left behind in selling dollars that were losing their value by the minute.

"Even those who had been

Kuwait raises price of natural gas from Dec. 1

KUWAIT, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — The price of Kuwait's natural gas for export has been increased by an average six per cent backdated to Dec. 1, the oil ministry said Monday.

A spokesman said the price of butane had been raised from \$277 to \$292 a ton and of propane from \$226 to \$241 a ton, increase of 5.4 and 6 per cent respectively.

Since September Kuwait has been raising its gas prices on a monthly basis.

The spokesman said Kuwait's gas prices had risen by 116 per cent since the beginning of this year when the price average was \$121.50 per ton.

holding off, thinking that the drop would halt, began dumping dollars," he said.

Most of the selling pressure came from Japanese trading houses and commercial companies settling contracts, dealers said.

Morning dollar rates in key European financial centers, compared to Friday's late rates.

Frankfurt — 1.7446 West German marks, down from 1.7508.

Zurich — 1.6070 Swiss francs, down from 1.61475.

Paris — 4.1049 French francs, down from 4.1050.

Milan — 816.55 Italian lire, down from 819.45.

Amsterdam — 1.9335 Dutch guilders, down from 1.9390.

In London it took \$ 2.1720 to buy a British pound Monday morning compared to \$ 2.1720 late Friday.

On the bullion markets, gold was quoted at \$ 432 a troy ounce in both London and Zurich. The metal was quoted Friday at \$ 426.50 in London and \$ 429 in Zurich.

Silver opened at \$ 19.17 an ounce in London and fell in fairly light trading to \$ 19 at mid-morning. The metal closed Friday at \$ 18.80.

European dealers said the yen had been undervalued for some time. They said the yen's rally was overdue but exaggerated.

"I'd be surprised if the dollar fell much lower," commented one dealer.

The yen which reached an all-time high of 175 to the dollar just 13 months ago, has dropped sharply recently on fears that the Japanese economy will have trouble dealing with any potential oil crisis.



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Kuwait favors annual 4-5% rise in oil price

BONN, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — Kuwaiti Oil Minister Ali Khalifa Al-Sabah said in an interview published here Monday he favors a real four to five per cent annual rise in oil prices.

He told the West German business weekly *Wirtschaftswoche* that Kuwait and most other members of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries wanted moderate, step-by-step increases.

The minister said, "My proposal is that oil prices in future increase by a real four or five per cent."

He explained, "If the inflation rate in the industrial nations amounts to 10 per cent, for example, we would not ask for more than a 15 per cent price increase."

Speaking ahead of the OPEC meeting in Caracas later this month, Sabah said the feasibility of such an index depends on the West fighting inflation, stopping currency erosion and saving more fuel than before.

He said in the short term Kuwait was unlikely to lessen its investments in the United States after the freeze on Iranian assets there.

But he considered it possible that the American measures could have negative consequences in the longer term.

"If a country is not prepared to

hold our monetary reserves in safekeeping, we can think up something on oil production. I consider what the U.S.A. has done to be an extremely risky economic step," Sabah declared.

He said this was not a threat. But it was natural that Kuwait and other countries would think twice in future whether to deposit their reserves in the United States or place them elsewhere.

Meanwhile, Iranian Oil Minister Ali Moinefar left Algiers Monday morning after a 24 hour visit to discuss the forthcoming OPEC meeting in Caracas.

A number of other questions were also discussed in his meeting with his Algerian counterpart, Belkacem Nabi, the Algerian news agency reported.

In a departure statement, Moinefar stressed the concurrence of opinion between the two countries especially on the project for a Third World development bank, and on the questions to be discussed at the OPEC meeting.

In another development, the Mitsubishi Oil Company said Monday it has been assured by Abu Dhabi of increased crude oil supplies next year of 40,000 barrels a day.

Mitsubishi said it is at present importing about 30,000 barrels a day from Abu Dhabi in direct deals.

Magazine warns

U.S. close to oil shortage

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 10 (AP) — The primary stocks of gasoline in the United States are less than one day's supply above the level at which spot shortages could develop, an influential oil publication has reported.

And, gasoline allocations to dealers are more than 19 per cent below gasoline use in December 1977, the Los Angeles-based *Lundberg* Newsletter said Sunday.

The report listed several other facts about gasoline supplies that it said were "sobering", even though there has been a slight increase in allocations compared with the past two months.

The publication buses its figures on analysis of oil company announcements and surveys of thousands of dealers.

"Prospects in general are sobering," the letter said, because the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries at a meeting Dec. 17 in Caracas is expected to

increase the price ceiling on its members' crude oil exports above the current \$23.50 per barrel.

U.S. gasoline consumption at the end of 1979 is expected to be 5 per cent below the end of 1978, including a 7.4 per cent cutback in the last half of the year, said Mark Emond, the *Lundberg* letter's editor-in-chief.

U.S. oil companies are releasing 293 million gallons of gasoline daily this month, compared with 288 million gallons released daily in November, the letter said.

Primary stocks of fuel — finished products at refineries, in pipelines and large terminal holdings of 50,000 barrels or more — stood at 224 million barrels on Nov. 30, the American Petroleum Institute reported. That compared with the Energy Department's "minimum acceptable level" of 219 million barrels for that date, the letter said.

First Western-style bank to be opened in Hungary

BUDAPEST, Dec. 10 (R) — Hungary, the Soviet bloc's frontrunner in domestic economic reforms, will soon begin an experiment in East-West banking which could help revitalize the conduct of Communist foreign trade.

Starting early next year, the Hungarian National Bank and six Western partners will operate the first jointly-owned "offshore" bank based in the Communist world.

The bank, which will be independent of domestic economic policies here, will start with the relatively small capital base of \$20 million and a focus on financing Hungarian trade with the West.

But this experiment, if successful, could have wider implications pointing the way toward flexible trade with the Communist economic community Comecon and opening additional sources of Western credit for Eastern European states.

The Central European International Bank (CIB), the first such venture in which the Communist partner is a minority shareholder, will be a unique Western-style

institution in an area dominated by state-owned banks and cumbersome barter-based trade arrangements.

Its a challenge, according to bankers connected with CIB, will be to break into the business of financing the growing part of trade between Comecon partners that is paid with U.S. dollars.

Most trade within Comecon is handled on a barter basis, with annual plans setting out what a country will export in exchange for a certain import. Additional trade is paid in dollars.

Between 20 and 30 per cent of all Comecon trade is not paid in dollars, the bankers said, a sign that their annual plans are increasingly shaken by high world commodity prices and unexpected developments on international markets.

Above-plan imports of Soviet oil, which must be paid in dollars at world prices make up a large part of the growing dollar trade.

"If Hungary has a good harvest, it could sell the surplus grain somewhere in the West," a banker said.

EEC cautions OPEC against price rise

PARIS, Dec. 10 (R) — European Common Market Energy Commissioner Guido Brunner Monday appealed to OPEC to show restraint on oil prices at its Caracas meeting next week and said another sharp rise could be economically crippling.

Brunner was speaking at a ministerial conference of the international Energy Agency (IEA) called to adopt country-by-country import targets for 1980 when new oil supply shortages are expected.

The IEA, comprising the main non-Communist oil consuming countries apart from France, is aiming to limit total imports to 24 million barrels a day next year, a reduction of almost five per cent on previous estimates.

Brunner said that although the IEA nations had managed to absorb the doubling of oil prices in the past 12 months, economic damage had been considerable.

"It could be crippling if prices rise steeply again," Brunner added.

The energy commissioner said the IEA must be able to demonstrate to OPEC that it was taking firm and effective steps to reduce oil consumption and to monitor and stabilize the oil market.

"But while we recognize our responsibility, OPEC must recognize that in managing their oil resources they too have a responsibility for the survival of the world economy," he said.

As an integral part of the world economic system, oil producing countries could not isolate themselves from the effects of recession and inflation elsewhere.

Brunner said the industrial consumer nations were starting the winter with their economy weakened. "Further oil price rises now would have even more serious consequences, at a time when we are struggling to meet present difficulties."

The meeting's chairman, West German Economics Minister Otto Lambsdorff said governments were lagging behind in measures to reduce consumption and dependence on oil.

Lambsdorff said governments could no longer be content with making verbal commitments to solve the energy problem. They must take specific action to reduce demands, to find substitutes for oil and to expand production of their own oil and alternative fuels.

Brunner said, the industrial partners of the United States must not exploit the special difficulties it faced through the loss of oil supplies from Iran.

"It is essential that we maintain our solidarity, not only with the U.S. over the Iranian question,

but more widely as we try to reduce energy demand and ease pressures on the oil market," he said.

Western nations are expected to tighten their belts another notch this week by setting individual ceilings on oil imports.

U.S. seen going deep into recession

ANN ARBOR, Michigan, Dec. 10 (AP) — The U.S. economy is following the pattern of a typical business recession and the probability of a deeper recession is rising, according to a University of Michigan economist.

Ross Wilhelm of Michigan's graduate Business School said Monday people who argue that the present recession will be mild are incorrectly assuming that capital goods investment and business spending will continue at present

levels. Wilhelm contends that investment and production show signs of weakening and could pull the nation into a deeper recession.

The "unprecedented" consumer demand that helped end the 1975 recession seems to be missing this year, with retail sales down between 12 and 14 per cent, said Wilhelm.

He said the decline in retail sales has been spread across all categories of consumer purchases

and will be attributed solely to gasoline shortages, high gasoline prices or a reduction in the sale of big cars. "Consumers are very pessimistic and are retrenching," Wilhelm said.

He said the rise in the country's gross national product in the third quarter of 1979 is deceptive. "Much of the third-quarter rise came from added automobile sales at distress prices and government stimulation of construction," Wilhelm noted. "Both indicate weakness, not strength."

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Directorate General of Education, Western Province	Supply of Youth Welfare requirements for 79/80	12	200	Dec. 16

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	Cash	Transfer
U.S. Dollar	3.37	3.3725
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Deutsche Mark (100)	192.00	192.80
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French F (100)	82.00	82.30
Italian Lira (10,000)	41.00	41.50
Lebanese Lira (100)		98.00
Syrian Lira (100)		86.90
Egyptian Pound	4.45	4.52
Kuwaiti Dinar	12.27	12.27
Jordanian Dinar	11.34	11.30
Emirates Dirham (100)	89.60	89.60
Qatari Riyal (100)	91.25	91.25
Bahraini Dinar	8.96	8.96
Iranian Riyal (100)	26.00	—
Iraqi Dinar (100)	9.40	—
Yemeni Riyal (100)	74.40	74.00
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4	Cher Young	Abdullah	Gen/Conts/Steel	9-12-79
5	Cher Loong	Abdullah	Gen/Conts/Steel	7-12-79
6	Fink	Alasah	Gen/Conts/Steel	7-12-79
7	Atlantic Forest	Kanoo	Flour/Rice/Steel	10-12-79
8	Atlantic Forest	Kanoo	Flour/Rice/Steel	10-12-79
9	Santa Elena	Alasah	Plant Mat/Alasah	8-12-79
11	Maidi	A.E.T.	Pipes/Gen.	5-12-79
12	Atlas Maru	A.E.T.	Desalination Plant/Haz.	10-12-79
13	Kawachi Maru	Alasah	Containers	8-12-79
14	La Primavera	Alasah	Bulk Cement	8-12-79
15	Seagull	S.C.S.A.	Bags Wheat/Berley	10-12-79
21	Davy Port	Alasah	H. Lift/Conts/Rebar/Gen/Concrete	7-12-79
22	Mormon	Barber	Containers/Bulk	9-12-79
24	Panepo Universal	O.C.E.	Refriger	7-12-79
26	Centre Star	N.T.T.E.	Loading Cement	30-11-79
28	Rhine Maru	A.E.T.	Conts.	9-12-79
30	Aboudy	El Hani	General	8-12-79
41	Genet	Alasah	Bags Berley	5-12-79
42	Union Baltimore	O.C.E.	Lumber Prod/Steel	7-12-79
44	Turkizba	M.E.S.A.	Bananas	8-12-79

2. RECENT ARRIVALS:

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1	Singa Satu	A.E.T.	Vehicles	9-12-79
2	Mormon	Barber	Conts/General	9-12-79
3	Atlantic Forest	Kanoo	Lash barges	9-12-79
4	Cher Young	Abdullah	Gen. Conts/Steel	9-12-79
5	Emilly Moon	Alasah	Vehicles	8-12-79
6	Blue Sky	Alasah	Durri	8-12-79
7	Seagull	A.E.T.	Bags Wheat/Berley	10-12-79
8	Bergen Maru	A.E.T.	Bulk/Berley/Gen/Conts	10-12-79
9	Atlas Maru	A.E.T.	Desalination Plant/Haz.	10-12-79
10	Seagull	Alasah	Cargo	7-12-79
11	Pink Sky	Gulf	Bulk Wheat	26-11-79
12	Cheung Chau	U.E.P.	General	8-12-79
13	Almud Al Fatah	Kanoo	General	9-12-79
14	Quailin	Gosabti	General	8-12-79
15	Vincenza	Saba	General/Conts	8-12-79
16	Arta Onid	A.E.T.	General	8-12-79
17	Maghna	Ort	General	10-12-79
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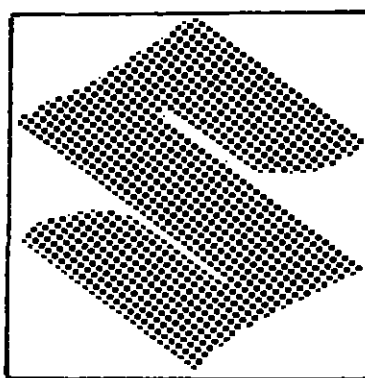
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17. Lustrous

18. Febrile

19. Disease

20. Talk

21. Incoherently

22. Lacking freshness

23. "Doone"

24. Althirst

25. Measure

26. Swedish river

27. Capture, as game

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Nejd	4:59	6:29	11:47	2:48	5:04	6:34

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4:30 Children's Show	Sesame Street No. 1189
5:52 Sanford and Son	I'm No Fool With A Bicycle
6:22 Operation Petticoat	No. 310
6:46 Oregon Trail	And Baby Makes
7:34 Man In A Suitcase	Hannah's Girls
8:23 Baretta	The Bridge
9:11 Warship	I'll Take You To Lunch
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8:00 News Roundup: Reports: Actualities: Opinion: Analyses	10:30 VOC Magazine: America: Science: Cultural: Letter
8:30 DateLine	11:00 Special English: News
9:00 News Summary	11:30 Music USA: (Jazz)
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2:20 On Islam	9:15 Bouquet
2:30 Radio Magazine	9:45 Reflections of a Muslim
3:00 NEWS	10:00 Islamic Contributions
3:10 Press Review	10:10 Music
3:15 Music	10:15 NEWS
3:20 World of Machines	10:25 S.A. A Daily Chronicle
3:30 A Selection of Music	10:30 The Evening Show
3:40	11:00 The World of the Guitar
3:50 Closedown	11:10
	11:15 In the Quiet
	11:45 A Rendezvous with Dreams
	12:00 Closedown

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8:00 Ouverture	7:00 Ouverture
8:02 Lumiere sur le Coran	7:02 Versets et Commentaires
8:15 Musique	7:15 Musique
8:30 Bonjour	7:30 Les Royaumes du Maghreb au Moyen Age
8:35 Varietes	7:45 Coup de Chapeau
8:45 Orient et Occident	8:15 Jeunesse et Sport
8:55 Varietes	8:20 Varietes
9:00 Informations	8:30 Informations
9:10 Lumiere sur les Informations	8:40 Revue de Presse
9:15 Varietes	8:45 Musique
9:30 Rapports humains en Islam	
9:45 Musique	8:55 Cloture

BBC

Morning Transmission	Evening Transmission
8:00 World News	1.15 Ulster in Focus
8:09 Twenty-Four Hours News Summary	1.30 Discovery
8:30 Sarah Ward	2.00 World News
8:45 World Today	2.09 News about Britain
9:00 Newsdesk	2.15 Alphabet of Musical Curios
9:30 Opera Star	2.30 Sports International
10:00 World News	2.40 Radio Newsreel
11:09 Reflections	3.15 Promenade Concert
11:15 Piano Style	3.45 Sports Round-up
11:30 Brain of Britain 1978	4.00 World News
12:00 World News	
12:09 British Press Review	
12:15 World Today	
12:30 Financial News	
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Your Individual Horoscope

Francis Drake

FOR RELEASE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 1979

What kind of day will tomorrow be? To find out what the stars say, read the forecast given for your birth sign.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19)

If bored with the same old routine, try an innovative approach to tasks. The grass is not greener elsewhere. Enjoy current benefits.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20)

A time to distinguish between reality and fantasy re a romantic interest. Listen to the ideas of a mate re children's affairs.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 20)

Confusion on the domestic front can be streamlined out with a little housekeeping. Avoid misunderstandings with partners.

CANCER (June 21 to July 22)

Substitute creative thinking for daydreaming. Co-workers may be hard to pin down. Postpone job-related decisions if uncertain.

LEO (July 23 to Aug. 22)

Financial extravagance possible. Not a time for gambling. Safeguard assets and be protective of belongings. Family is supportive.

VIRGO (Aug. 23 to Sept. 22)

You may not know which way to turn re a confusing domestic decision. A reliable source may provide you with a sure answer. Resist his support.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22)

Pay no heed to gossip rumors. Your thinking is unrealistic. Avoid excess and use quiet moments needed relaxation.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21)

Stay clear of financial dealings with new acquaintances. Easy money may be doubtful. A p.m. together looks promising.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21)

Career goals may be idealistic but unrealistic further research be launching new projects short trip brings new life.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 19)

An agent or adviser may be evasive. You'll do best listening to the advice of a friend. Try a new approach financial questions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20 to Feb. 18)

Keep a tight lid on cash. Not a time for taking a "fast" your own insight. Career endeavor. For prove distracting.

PISCES (Feb. 19 to Mar. 20)

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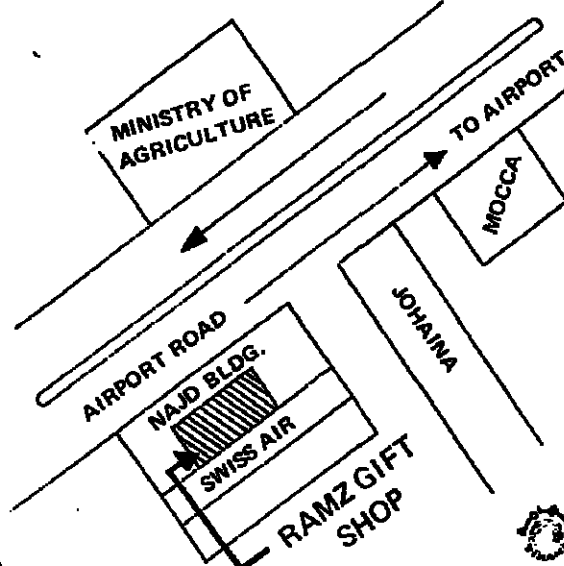
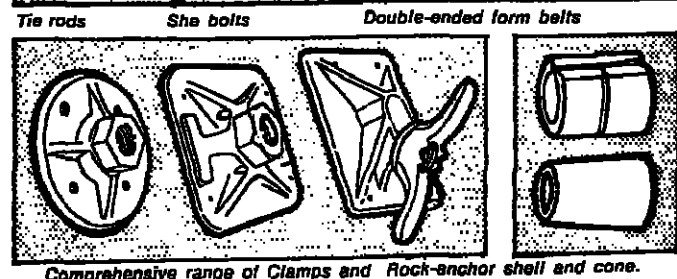
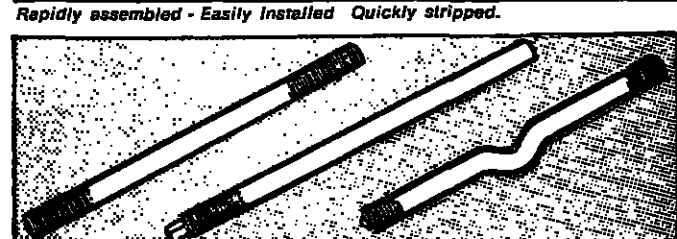
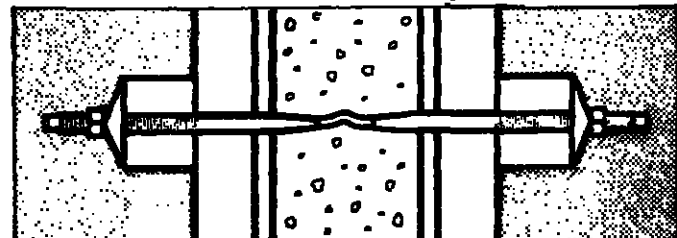
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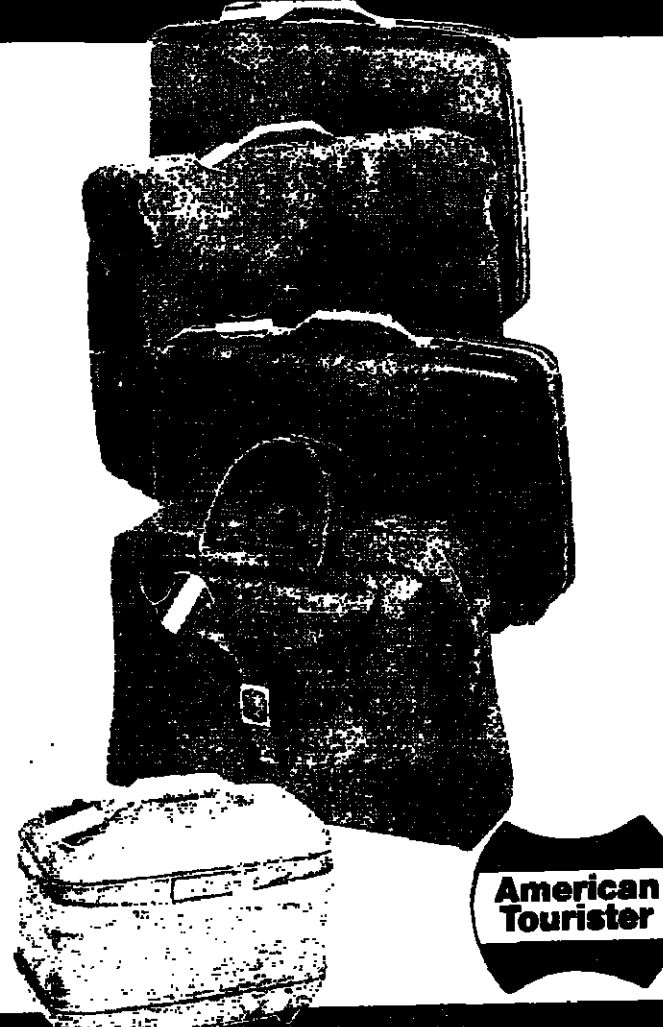
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International

Settlement for Rhodesia in jeopardy after bombing raids against guerrillas

LONDON, Dec. 10 (AP) — British officials at the Rhodesia peace talks spent the weekend refining their proposed cease-fire plan, but hopes for breaking the latest deadlock were overshadowed by Patriotic Front anger over fresh raids on its Zambia and Mozambique bases.



Abel Muzorewa

As the talks moved into their 14th week reportedly on the verge of a settlement, it is now questionable, whether enough good will remains on both sides to maintain any cease-fire.

Speaking for Joshua Nkomo Willie Musarurwa said, "The Rhodesians are not serious about a settlement. These raids show their mood. They talk about peace while they prepare for war."

Eddison Zvobgo, chief spokesman for Robert Mugabe, said, "This confirms our belief that the Muzorewa forces will be ready to massacre our people if we accept this plan for so-called assembly places. They obviously believe they can wipe out our forces if we were foolish enough to accept this plan." Zvobgo claimed that if the Front's forces move into assembly areas, more or less like camps, as proposed by the British, the Salis-

bury government, "on the slightest pretext of a cease-fire breach," would send in their bombers.

No comment

The British Foreign Office declined to make any specific comment on the raid, nor would it say whether Britain had again



Joshua Nkomo

rebuked the Salisbury regime; as it did after similar raids before three weeks.

Those raids caused a severe rift between Britain and Zambia, which blamed the British for them, and stiffened the resistance of the Patriotic Front against Britain's cease-fire attempt.

The persisting disagreement centers on the disposition of the warring forces during the transition to legitimate independence.

Britain wants the Front troops to camp in up to 15 assembly points. The Front wants guarantees that this will not mean they will be exposed to Salisbury's forces which it claims would retain strategic positions.

No Progress

A front source said further talks Saturday, after disputed technicalities clouded earlier hopes for quick agreement, made "no progress."

On Britain's hopes to conclude the confer-

ence this week, he said: "It all depends on the proposals the British put to us."

The Salisbury side has given the British confidential details of the size of its forces, said to number some 20,000 troops. But the Front has not revealed its numbers reported to be around 15,600 in Rhodesia and some 40,000 in neighboring countries.

A spokesman said the Front is willing to give figures but only in open conference in return for knowledge of the Salisbury regime's strength.

"If we give our figures in confidence to the British, the Rhodesians will soon know what they are," claimed the spokesman. "We will then be the only ignorant party at the conference."

One Killed

Salisbury said its planes killed one guerrilla in a raid on Nkomo's ZAPU (Zimbabwe African People's Union) forces in Zambia.

Little damage was caused to the camp at Chinyanya, about 40 miles east of Lusaka.

The spokesman would not comment on unofficial reports that two Rhodesian helicopters had been shot down during the raid.

Military headquarters in Salisbury said Sunday that Zimbabwe Rhodesian Air Force jets attacked Patriotic Front guerrillas bases in Zambia and Mozambique.

Military communiques did not specify the location of the targets but said all the planes returned safely.

Troops

Informed sources said that Zimbabwe Rhodesian ground troops also took part in the raid into Mozambique. They gave no further details.

Commenting on South African Radio reports that Italian-made Macchi Aircraft were involved in the attack into Zambia, the sources would confirm only that Zimbabwe Rhodesia had acquired some new aircraft earlier this year.

The Salisbury government is traditionally reticent about its military equipment, especially imported arms and aircraft. In view of the supposedly total United Nations embargo on arms exports to the country.

No Change

Despite the obstacles, Britain has announced no change in its plan to send Governor-designate Lord Soames to Salisbury this week to prepare to take over running the colony.



PRISONER: His head covered with a coat, and watched closely by an armed guard, a guerrilla captured on a northeastern tribal reserve steps off a military helicopter in Entebbe, Rhodesia recently.

Major allies said determined to deploy new U.S. missiles

BRUSSELS, Dec. 10 (Agencies) — NATO's European defense ministers Monday opened a week-long series of meetings to decide the deployment in Europe of a new generation of nuclear weapons.

The big powers — the United States, Britain, West Germany, and Italy, with the tacit approval of France that does not take part in the plan — are determined to go ahead with the project on Wednesday despite reservations from some smaller partners, sources said Monday.

The plan is causing mounting political problems in Belgium and the Netherlands, earmarked to take 48 cruise missiles each out of a total 572 long-range tactical nuclear weapons aimed at countering the Soviet SS-20 missiles.

Defense ministers or representatives from 11 countries Monday started a meeting to discuss the plan further and review progress

in the modernization of NATO's conventional forces.

Turkish Defense Minister Ahmet Iskan Birinciglu, who chairs the meeting, met British defense Secretary Sir Francis Pym before the session.

An estimated 40,000 demonstrators from a dozen countries converged on Brussels and marched in drenching rain to register their opposition to the U.S. plans.

These envisage the siting of 464 Cruise and 102 Pershing 2 in Britain, West Germany, Italy, Belgium and Holland during the 1980s. Washington has undertaken to pick up about 95 per cent of the estimated \$4 billion cost. The purpose is to balance Soviet deployment in the past three years of a new missile system known as the SS-20 which could hit any European city from bases behind the Urals. NATO officers claimed Sunday the Russians already have positioned 120 of these missiles out of a planned total of more than 600.

The Americans, British, West Germans and Italians had hoped NATO defense and foreign ministers, at a special session Wednesday, would yield at least a consensus in favor of proceeding with the missile deployment plan. But with several of their smaller partners either hesitant, or opposed there seems little chance now of such a consensus.

As a contingency, officials said, NATO's Big Four have agreed in advance the scheme must go through even if it has to be arranged outside the framework of the alliance.

The informants, who would not be identified, said Britain, West Germany and Italy therefore have decided to negotiate separate agreements directly with the Americans permitting the siting of the Cruises and Pershings. When that has been done each of the three European governments concerned then would notify NATO's Supreme Command that the new weapons would be at the disposal of the alliance in emergencies.

The banner-bearing demonstrators in Brussels included contingents from the United States, Australia and most allied European countries. It was the largest of a spate that has swept through Europe from Scandinavia to Italy.

Within NATO itself, and among several of its 15 member-governments, there were signs of revolt against the plan too. Never before have the allied powers sited nuclear-tipped missiles in Europe able to reach targets inside the Soviet Union. The Cruise, a subsonic flying-bomb, can be guided electronically to a destination more than 1,500 miles away. And there already has been preliminary British, West German and Italian agreement respectively to take 160, 112 and 96 of them. Additionally West Germany has agreed to accept 108 Pershing 2s, a ballistic missile with a 1,200-mile range.

Moscow has launched a campaign aimed at heading off the decision which, if implemented in the 1980s, designed to readjust the correlation of East-West forces in Europe now perceived among advocates of the deployment as tilting in Russia's direction.

The impact of the Soviet campaign has been reflected in protests on the streets, in parliaments and within governments throughout allied Europe.

The plan package will be NATO's answer to President Leonid Brezhnev's initiative in East Berlin on Oct. 6, when he announced the withdrawal of up to 20,000 combat troops and 1,000 tanks from East Germany. He also offered to cut the number of deployed SS-20s if NATO gave up its nuclear modernization plan.

Foreign ministers from the 15-nation alliance will discuss this week a move to revive the protracted Vienna talks on mutual and balanced forces reduction in central Europe (MBFR). NATO officials said.

They will review a West German plan for a simultaneous withdrawal of 13,000 American and 30,000 Soviet troops.

Good Morning

By Jihad Khazen

No sooner than the "Good Morning" column in which I broached the famous "conspiracy" theory appeared than a letter arrived from an Arab Ph. D. in political science from the University of Edinburgh. The good doctor takes severe exception at my levity in treating the whole subject. My jokes against the upholders of said theory, I was told, were misplaced.

Now of course, with all due deference to my correspondent's evident learning and precocity, I really did not need his letter to tell me how seriously such theories are taken and by how many serious people. In fact, my interlocutor in the piece was not an invention. Nor was the theory he proposed. I only added some spice to a dish which was actually served.

My friend had said that the Americans have fabricated the affair of the embassy and the hostages so that they have a pretext to invade and hold the oil producing areas in the Gulf. This is only an updated version of that even greater supposed conspiracy — that of the 1973 war. Then, the "proof" was that the Americans had (and still have) those satellites which overfly the area so that nothing could escape their glance. Not only the soldier on the ground can be clearly seen, as they say, but the very stripes on his shoulders. How come, the conspiracy theorists say, these magnificent machines failed to detect about half a million Arab soldiers massed for the attack.

This, as far as I can see, is a good question. But rather than answer it in any way, conspiracy theorists simply pile speculation on speculation. Thus, the Americans allowed the war — or even actively conspired to make it — because they knew that the Arabs would resort to the oil weapon.

Then as now, the Americans needed this to arrest the fall of the dollar against the mark and the yen. And, theorists say, this is precisely what happened, with the added bonus that the rise in oil prices meant that America's own Alaska oil fields became viable, as did the North Sea oil where Britain is concerned.

The problem with all this is that not a shred of real evidence is ever produced. Circumstantial evidence there is a plenty. As well as names galore: David Rockefeller, Brzezinski, Kissinger, Prince, Barabard... But gentlemen — especially you with higher education — please work more on such dishes before you serve them. The basic ingredient, facts, are there yet.

Translated from Ashraf Al-Awsat

Brown urges closure of U.S. embassies in dangerous countries



Gov. Edmund Brown

BURLINGTON, Iowa, Dec. 10 (AP) — Presidential candidate Edmund Brown said Sunday the United States should bring embassy employees home from countries where danger exists.

Brown, the governor of California, said, does not believe the United States needs embassy in every country, and, he said, so people think U.S. embassies are indefensible anywhere.

The candidate said Americans must be able to rely less on foreign marketplaces, cheap raw materials. The United States used to provide its own raw materials such as steel for cars, he says, but now must depend on foreign countries for those materials.

As a result, American steel mills are closing, automakers are losing money and prices Americans pay for goods keep rising. Brown also said President Carter's administration should concern itself with mass transit, and less with elaborate missile systems.

Brown and Sen. Edward Kennedy are trying to wrest the Democratic Party nomination from President Carter.

Oslo bathed in torchlight for Mother Teresa's Nobel prize

OSLO, Dec. 10 (AP) — Mother Teresa of Calcutta's Catholic Missionaries of Charity was awarded the 1979 Nobel Peace Prize Monday. She is the sixth woman to receive the prize.

Norway paid tribute to Mother Teresa on Sunday with a joyous torchlight parade and the Norwegian People's Prize for her work as "the apostle of the poor."

On the eve of receiving the \$192,000 prize, the little 69-year-old servant of the poor charmed her Norwegian hosts through a busy day of prayers, sermons and a huge ecumenical service at the Oslo Cathedral.

Hundreds of Oslo residents gathered in cold winter weather outside the cathedral Sunday evening and then walked in torchlight procession to a religious mission center where the Albanian-born Mother Teresa received the \$70,000 Norwegian People's Prize.

"Hallelujah," sang the paraders after Mother Teresa called on them to have their children "consecrate their lives to God and the poor."

"I love you and the love you give me," she told the crowd, ensuring her reputation here in the Norwegian capital as one of the most popular Nobel Peace Prize recipients in recent years.

Ever since Mother Teresa arrived Saturday evening, the mood here has been in sharp contrast to the ceremonies last year for joint peace prize winners Anwar Sadat and Menachem Begin.

Owing to security reasons, there was no torchlight parade last year and the two controversial winners were deposited at the awards ceremony by air force helicopter. To the awe of her hosts, Mother Teresa was up at 6 a.m. Sunday at the St. Joseph's Institute where she is staying, and she joined the 30 sisters there in morning prayers, just as she does at her missionaries of charity headquarters in Calcutta.

As always, she has been wearing her simple white sari with the blue border adding only a sweater and blue wool socks against the sub-freezing Norwegian winter.

"She is incredible. I don't know how she keeps up the pace," said Mother Teresa's brother L. Bojaxhio.

"I came here from Palermo, and I'm tired. She has come all the way from her primitive life in Calcutta and looks radiant."

Ever since the award was announced Oct. 17, Mother Teresa has insisted that she would not accept the award for herself, only in the name of the world's poor.

"I am unworthy personally," she told an arrival press conference Saturday. "The people I serve are the poorest of the poor, the disabled, the sick, the dying, the naked."

Her words echoed her favorite passage from Matthew. And it was with this passage that Lutheran Dean Reidar Kobro opened Sunday night's ecumenical service, devoted to "the indigents of the world."

At Mother Teresa's side, then and

Oslo University Festival Hall.

Following are excerpts from the text translated from Norwegian:

The Norwegian Nobel Committee has awarded the Peace Prize for 1979 to Mother Teresa.

A year of interruptions...

BOSTON, Dec. 10 (AP) — There are dangers and there can be misery in winning a Nobel Prize, laureate Paul Samuelson of Massachusetts Institute of Technology says.

Comments by Samuelson and other Laureates from Massachusetts about winning the prize were reported by *The Boston Herald American* Sunday, the day before this year's awards ceremony in Oslo.

Samuelson, who won the 1970 prize for economics, said reclusive and introverted winners in laboratory sciences "find the prize to be both an honor and a misery, a year of interruptions."

"One of the diseases that Nobel winners have to guard against is going outside their field of expertise. There are booby traps and temptations to get involved in everything."

"People feel that a Nobel winner was to be wiser and smarter than anyone else. He receives extra attention, and his opinion is asked more," he said. "Everyone with a social cause wants a laureate on the list of supporters."

throughout her trip, were her closest friends and colleagues, Sister Gertrude and Sister Agnes, the little Indian nun who was first to join her mission.

At a "church coffee" afterward, Mother Teresa was awarded the Norwegian People's Prize, organized by schoolchildren from the St. Paul's School in Bergen. Oslo schoolgirls completed the festive day of faith with hymns sung by candlelight.

Mother Teresa's Missionaries of Charity, whose branches on five continents spread from Vietnam to Harlem, will be using the money from the two prizes to build homes for lepers, she said.

Added to the \$262,000 total will be another \$6,000 the cost of the traditional Nobel dinner. Mother Teresa asked that the dinner be cancelled and the five-member Nobel Peace Prize Committee agreed, provided she accept the dinner money for her work.

Praising the spirit of Mother Teresa of Calcutta as an example that should be followed by all rich countries in helping the poor, Professor John Sanness, chairman of the Norwegian Nobel Committee, Monday honored her in a speech at the awarding ceremony in

Thomas Weller of Harvard, who won the prize for medicine in 1954, said, "I'm a researcher, and I've been concerned about requests to sign petitions on all sorts of matters. I've been asked to commit myself on atomic energy and radiation exposure, issues that I and other Nobel laureates know nothing about."

Konrad Bloch also of Harvard, who won the prize in 1964 for medicine, said that, for most part, he resisted "the temptation to speak as an authority rather than as an individual," and only occasionally would he support a cause "such as planned parenthood."

David Baltimore of MIT, prize-winner in 1975 for medicine, said the prizes are more important to those outside than to those inside the field.

"One shouldn't overplay the importance of the award because the winner's work is usually known to his colleagues. The prize serves only one real function — to put before the public periodically the accomplishments of scientists."

The year 1979 has not been a year of peace: disputes and conflicts between nations, peoples and ideologies have been conducted with all the accompanying extremes of inhumanity and cruelty. We have witnessed wars, the unrestrained use of violence, we have witnessed fanaticism with cynicism, we have witnessed contempt for human life and dignity.

The Norwegian Nobel Committee has considered it right and appropriate, particularly this year, in their choice of Mother Teresa to remind the world of the words spoken by Fridtjof Nansen that love of one's neighbor is realistic policy.

(Nansen, the Norwegian scientist, humanist and explorer, was the Peace Prize winner in 1922.)

The hallmark of her work has been respect for the individual and the individual's worth and dignity. The loneliest and the most wretched, the dying destitute, the abandoned lepers, have been received by her and her sisters with warm compassion devoid of condescension, based on... reverence for Christ in man.

Better than anyone else she has managed to put into practice the recognized fact that

gifts given... where the recipient has a feeling of one-sided and humiliating dependence on the giver, may prove so hurtful to the recipient's dignity as a human being, that it may well breed bitterness and animosity instead of harmony and peace.

She has developed an attitude to the relationship between donor and recipient which eliminates the generally accepted conceptual distinction. In her eyes the person who, in the accepted sense, is the recipient, is also the giver, and the one who gives most. Giving — giving something of oneself — is what confers real joy, and the person who is allowed to give is the one who receives the most precious gift. Where others see clients, or customers, she sees fellow-workers, a relationship based not on the expectation of gratitude on the one part, but on mutual understanding and respect, and a warm human and enriching contact.

Mother Teresa once said: "In twenty five years of work among the people, I have come more and more to realize that it is being unwanted that is the worst disease that any human being can ever experience." She believes that the worst disease today is not leprosy, tuberculosis, but rather the feeling of being unwanted, uncared for and deserted by everybody.

It was precisely people in this plight, the poorest of the poor, who were the very first to find warmth and shelter with Mother Teresa. Her intention was to ensure that they enjoyed the feeling of being received and recognized as people with own human dignity and the right to respect.

Mother Teresa works in the world as she finds it, in the slums of Calcutta and in other towns and cities. But she makes no distinction between poor and rich people, between poor and rich countries. Politics have never been her concern. But economic, social and political work with these same aims are in complete harmony with her own life's work.

In our endeavors, on the national as on the international level, we have a lesson to learn from her work for individuals in distress. On the international level our efforts can only serve the cause of peace if they do not offend the self-respect of the poor nations. All aid given by the rich countries must be given in the spirit of Mother Teresa.

There would be no better way of describing the intentions that have motivated the decision of the Norwegian Nobel Committee than the comment of the president of the World Bank, Robert MacNamara, when he declared:

"Mother Teresa deserves Nobel's Peace Prize because she promotes peace in the most fundamental manner, by her confirmation of the inviolability of human dignity."

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